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Before the REVOLUTION.

I.
Nov. 3, 1662, Book 4, p. 31, Sir. *H. Bennet.*

HIS Majeſty being given to underſtand, that ſeveral diſaffected and dangerous Perſons do frequent and hold private Meetings, at the Houſe late belonging to Mr. *Methall*, near *Kenſington*, It is his Majeſty's expreſs Pleaſure and Command, that, taking with you a Conſtable, you forthwith repair to the ſaid Houſe, and there make diligent Search for all dangerous and ſuſpected Perſons, Arms and Papers; and ſuch as you ſhall there find and diſcover, immediately to ſeize, apprehend, and ſecure, and thence to bring ſuch Perſons in ſafe Cuſtody before me, his Majeſty's Principal Secretary of State, to anſwer to ſuch things as ſhall be objected againſt them, on his

Majeſty's Behalf, the Arms and Papers ſo found to be ſecured until further Order. In the due Execution, *&c.* For, *&c. Nov.* 3, 1662.

H. B.

II.
Nov. 5, 1662.
Book 4, p. 32.

HIS Majeſty being given to underſtand, that divers dangerous and diſaffected Perſons do uſe and frequent the Dwelling Houſe or Lodgings of *John Stent*, dwelling near the Gatehouſe, *Weſtminſter*; It is his expreſs Pleaſure and Command, and theſe are in his Name ſtraightly to charge and require you, that taking with you a Conſtable, you forthwith repair to the Lodgings or Dwelling Houſe of the ſaid *John Stent*, and there make diligent Search for the Perſon of *Edward Ludlow*, called Major General *Ludlow*, and all other dangerous and diſaffected Perſons; and ſuch as you ſhall there find and diſcover, to ſeize and bring away in ſafe Cuſtody before me, His Majeſty's Principal Secretary of State, to anſwer to ſuch Things as ſhall be objected againſt them in His Majeſty's Name: As alſo to ſeize and ſecure all ſuch Papers and Writings as you ſhall there, upon Search, diſcover and find. In due Execution hereof, all Conſtables and others, his Majeſty's Officers and Subjects, are required to be aiding to you as there ſhall be Occaſion; for which this ſhall be your Warrant, Nov. 5th, 1662.

H. B.

III.
Secretary *Williamſon*, No. 12, p. 68.
June 26, 1675.

THESE are in his Majeſty's Name, and by his expreſs Command, to require you to take with you a Conſtable, and make ſtrict Search in all ſuſpected Places for the Copies of a certain prophane and ſcandalous Pamphlet, intitled, The Quaker and his Maid; as alſo the Author, Printer and Publiſhers of the ſame, and them having found, to ſeize and bring in ſafe Cuſtody before

before me, or ſome one of his Majeſty's Juſtices of the Peace, to anſwer to ſuch Matters as ſhall be objected againſt them: And likewiſe to ſeize and take away all ſuch Copies and Examples of the ſaid Book as you ſhall diſcover. And all Mayors, *&c.* For ſo, *&c.* Given, *&c.* *Whitehall*, *June* 26th, 1675.

J. WILLIAMSON.

IV.
May 12, 1677.
Secretary *Williamſon*, No. 12, p. 364.

THESE are in his Majeſty's Name, and by his expreſs Command, to Will and require you, with the Aſſiſtance of a Conſtable, to make ſtrict and diligent Search for the Perſon of *Acton*, and him having found, to ſeize and apprehend, for having publiſhed and diſperſed ſeveral treaſonable, impious, and atheiſtical Libels and Papers, and in ſafe Cuſtody to bring before me, together with all ſuch Books, Papers and Writings, as you ſhall find about him, and at his Lodgings or Place of Abode. In Order whereunto you are hereby required and authorized, with the ſaid Aſſiſtance of a Conſtable, to break open any Trunk, Box, Cheſt, or other Place which ſhall be refuſed to be opened upon your Demand. In the Execution of which, all Conſtables, *&c.* *&c.* 12th *May*, 1677.

J. W.

V.
Nov. 10, 1678.
No. 12. p. 562.

WHEREAS Information hath been given to me, that an unuſual Concourſe of People hath been obſerved to frequent the Lodgings of one Mr. *Burdett*, a Perſon reputed to be a Popiſh Recuſant, or an Agent for the Popiſh Party; and that the ſaid Mr. *Burdett* is frequently obſerved to have ſeveral People come to him at unſeaſonable Hours: Theſe are in his Majeſty's

Name to require you (taking to your Aſſiſtance a Conſtable) to ſearch the Lodgings of the ſaid Mr. *Burdett*, for dangerous Writings and Papers, and, finding any ſuch, to bring them away with you, together with the Perſon of the ſaid Mr. *Burdett*, in your Cuſtody, before me, to be examined concerning the Premiſes. And in the due Execution hereof, *&c. Whitehall, Nov.* 10, 1678.

J. W.

Sir JOSEPH WILLIAMSON, *Knt. one of His Majeſty's moſt honourable Privy-Council, and Principal Secretary of State*, &c.

VI.
Nov. 10, 1678.
Williamſon, No. 12. p. 564.

WHEREAS Information hath been given to me, that an unuſual Concourſe of People hath been obſerved to frequent the Lodgings of one Mr. *Burdett*, a reputed Popiſh Recuſant, and ſuſpected to be an Agent for the Popiſh Party; and that the ſaid Mr. *Burdett* is frequently obſerved to have ſeveral ſuſpected Perſons come to him at unſeaſonable Hours, as well to his own Chambers as to the Lodgings of one Mr. *Audley*, near adjoining, Theſe are, in his Majeſty's Name, to require you, taking to your Aſſiſtance a Conſtable, to make diligent Search in the Lodgings of the ſaid Mr. *Burdett*, and of Mr. *Audley*; and in Caſe you find any ſuſpicious Perſons there, to ſeize them, and to bring them away with you in ſafe Cuſtody, together with the Perſon of the ſaid *Burdett*, before me, to be examined concerning the Premiſes; and you are to ſeal up all his Papers and Writings till further Order. And in the due Execution hereof all Juſtices of the Peace, Conſtables, and other his Majeſty's Officers, Civil and Military, and loving Subjects, whom it may concern, are to be aſſiſting to you as there may be Occaſion, as they

they will anſwer the contrary at their Peril. For, *&c.* this ſhall be your Warrant. Given at the Court at *Whitehall* the 10th Day of *Nov.* 1678.

J. WILLIAMSON.

VII.
Dec. 7, 1678.
Williamſon, No. 12. p. 580.

WHEREAS Information hath been given to me, that one *Morley*, who is ſuſpected to be a Popiſh Prieſt, conceals himſelf in ſome Houſe in or near *Drury-Lane*; Theſe are, in his Majeſty's Name, to require you, taking to your Aſſiſtance a Conſtable, forthwith to make diligent Search for the Perſon of the ſaid *Morley*, and, him having found, to ſeize and take into your Cuſtody, together with all Papers and Writings you ſhall ſuſpect to belong to him; and to bring him before me, or ſome other of his Majeſty's Juſtices of the Peace, to be examined, and to be further diſpoſed of according to Law. In the due Execution whereof, all Juſtices of the Peace, Conſtables, and others his Majeſty's Officers, both Civil and Military, and loving Subjects, whom it may concern, are to be aiding and aſſiſting to you, as they will anſwer the contrary at their Peril. And for, *&c. Whitehall, Dec.* 1678.

J. W.

VIII.
Jan. 10, 1678-9.
Book 13, p. 6.

WHEREAS Information hath been given to me, that ſeveral Perſons, who are ſuſpected to be Popiſh Prieſts, are harboured or concealed in two Houſes in *Berry-Street*, near St. *James*'s; in a certain Houſe in *Luener*'s-*Lane*, near *Holborne*; in a certain Houſe in *Lincoln*'s-*Inn-Fields*; and alſo in two Houſes

Houſes in *Holborne*, near the *King's Gate*; Theſe are, in his Majeſty's Name, to require you, taking to your Aſſiſtance a Conſtable, to make ſtrict and diligent Search in the abovementioned Places, for the ſaid Perſons who are ſuſpected to be Prieſts, and, having found any ſuch, to apprehend and bring them away with you in ſafe Cuſtody, together with their Papers, Books and Writings, before me, or any other of his Majeſty's Juſtices of the Peace, to be proceeded againſt, and diſpoſed of according to Law. And in the due Execution hereof, all Juſtices of the Peace, Conſtables, and others his Majeſty's Officers, are to be aſſiſting to you. And for, *&c. Whitehall, Jan.* 10th, 1678-9.

J. W.

ROBERT, *Earl of* SUNDERLAND, *&c.*

IX. *April*, 24, 1685. *Sunderland*, p. 73.

THESE are, in his Majeſty's Name, to authorize and require you, taking to your Aſſiſtance a Conſtable, to make ſtrict and diligent Search for *Thimbleton*, and, him having found, you are to apprehend and ſeize, together with his Papers, and bring him in ſafe Cuſtody before me, to be examined concerning certain treaſonable Practices, whereof he ſtands accuſed, and to be farther dealt with according to Law. In the due Execution whereof, *&c. Whitehall*, the 24th Day of *April*, 1685.

SUNDERLAND.

X. *May* 19, 1685, p. 89.

THESE are, in his Majeſty's Name, to authorize and require you, taking to your Aſſiſtance a Conſtable, to make ſtrict and diligent Search for Major *Wildman*, and, him having

having found, you are to apprehend and take into your Cuſtody, together with his Papers, and bring him before me, to anſwer to ſuch Matters as ſhall be objected againſt him, concerning certain treaſonable and dangerous Practices, whereof he ſtands accuſed, and to be farther dealt with according to Law. In the due Execution, &c. *Whitehall*, 19th Day of *May*, 1685.

SUNDERLAND.

Since the REVOLUTION.

During the Reign of King WILLIAM.

CHARLES, *Earl of* SHREWSBURY, &c.

XI.

Nov. 9, 1689. *Shrewſbury's* Warrants, p. 3.

THESE are, in his Majeſty's Name, to authorize and require you, taking a Conſtable to your Aſſiſtance, forthwith to ſearch for, ſeize and apprehend, the Perſon of *James Bruce*, for diſperſing falſe, ſcandalous, and ſeditious News againſt the Government: You are likewiſe to ſearch for, and ſeize his Papers, and bring them, together with himſelf, before me, to be examined concerning the ſame, and to be further proceeded againſt according to Law. And herein all Mayors, Sheriffs, Juſtices of the Peace, Conſtables, and other his Majeſty's Officers, Civil and Military, are to be aiding and aſſiſting to you; and for ſo doing this ſhall be your Warrant. Given at the Court at *Whitehall*, the 9th Day of *November*, 1689.

SHREWSBURY.

THESE

XII.
Dec. 1, 1689.
Shrewſbury's Warrants, p. 17.

THESE are, in his Majeſty's Name, to authorize and require you, taking a Conſtable to your Aſſiſtance, to make diligent Search for, and to apprehend, the Perſon of *David Lindſey*, who is accuſed of holding Correſpondence with the King's Enemies, and of carrying on dangerous Practices againſt the Government; and bring him before me, to be examined concerning the Premiſes, in Order to his being further proceeded againſt according to Law: And you are likewiſe to ſeize and ſecure all Papers, Writings, and Letters, belonging to the ſaid *David Lindſey*. And in the due Execution hereof, all Mayors, Sheriffs, Juſtices of the Peace, Conſtables, and other his Majeſty's loving Subjects, are hereby required to be aſſiſting to you; and for ſo doing this ſhall be to you and them a ſufficient Warrant. Given at the Court at *Whitehall*, the 1ſt Day of *December*, 1689.

SHREWSBURY.

HABEAS CORPUS, *granted by Sir* William Dolben *for* RALPH JACKSON.

XIII.
Banco Regis, Mich. 5th W. & M. *(a)*.

WHEREAS I am informed, that ſeveral diſaffected Perſons, lately come out of *France*, are coming for *England* by Way of *Oſtend*; Theſe are, in their Majeſties Names, to authorize and require you, forthwith to make ſtrict and diligent Search on Board any Ship coming from *Holland* or *Flanders*, and in Caſe you find there any ſuch ſuſpicious Perſons, you are to apprehend them, together with their Papers, and to bring them in ſafe Cuſtody before me, to be examined concerning ſuch Matters as ſhall be objected againſt them, relating to the Premiſes, and

(*a*) Such of the Warrants in this Collection, as are referred to in this Manner, are copied from the Files of Returns of Writs of Habeas Corpus, remaining of Record in the Court of *King's-Bench*, *Weſtminſter*.

and to be farther dealt with according to Law. In the due Execution, *&c.* and for ſo, *&c.* dated 24th *July*, 1693.

NOTTINGHAM.

HABEAS CORPUS *by Sir* William Dolben *for* MARY MAY. XIV. Record Banco Regis 5 W. & M.

Warrant in the ſame Words as the next preceding.

HABEAS CORPUS *by Lord Chief Juſtice* Holt *for* SAMUEL GRASCOME, *and others.*

THESE are, in their Majeſties Names, to authorize and require you, forthwith to make ſtrict and diligent Search for Mr. *Graſcome*, Mr. *Weil* alias *Wield*, and Mrs. *Brookſby*, and them, or either of them having found, you are to apprehend and ſeize, together with their Papers, for ſeditious and treaſonable Practices, and bring them ſafe before me, to be examined concerning the Premiſes, and to be further dealt with according to Law. In due Execution, *&c.* Given, *&c.* the 1ſt *Oct.* 1694. XV. Banco Regis 6 W. & M.

SHREWSBURY.

HABEAS CORPUS *by Lord Chief Juſtice* Holt *for* THOMAS COOPER.

THESE are, in their Majeſties Name, to authorize and require you, forthwith to make ſtrict and diligent Search for *Thomas Cooper*, *Donelon* alias *Dorelaw*, and Capt. *Adams*, of whom you ſhall have Notice, and them, or either of them, having found, you are to apprehend and ſeize, together with their Papers, for conſpiring and endeavouring to ſuborne Wit- XVI. Banco Regis 6 W. & M.

neſſes againſt the Lives and Credit of ſeveral Witneſſes for their Majeſties, againſt Perſons charged with High Treaſon; and bring them ſafe before me, to be examined concerning the Premiſes, and to be further dealt with according to Law. In the due Execution whereof, *&c.* Given, *&c.* the 5th *Oct.* 1694.

SHREWSBURY.

XVII. Banco Regis 6 W. & M.

A Warrant in the like Words is returned and filed on a Habeas Corpus, *granted by Lord Chief Juſtice* Holt, *for* William Holmes *and others.*

HABEAS CORPUS *for* JAMES MURRAY.

XVIII. B. R. 6 W. & M.

THESE are, in his Majeſty's Name, to authorize and require you, forthwith to make ſtrict and diligent Search for *James Murray*, of whom you ſhall have Notice, and, him having found, you are to apprehend and ſeize, together with his Papers, for treaſonable Practices, and bring them ſafe before me, to be examined concerning the Premiſes, and to be further dealt with according to Law, In the due Execution, *&c.* Dated 9 *Oct.* 1694.

SHREWSBURY.

HABEAS CORPUS *by the Lord Chief Juſtice* Holt *for* DAVID EDWARDS.

XIX. Banco Regis 6 W. & M.

THESE are, in their Majeſties Name, to authorize and require you, taking to your Aſſiſtance a Conſtable, forthwith to make ſtrict and diligent Search for *David Edwards*, a Printer, and,

and, him having found, you are to apprehend and ſecure, for treaſonable and ſeditious Practices againſt their Majeſties and the Government, and to bring him in ſafe Cuſtody before me, to be examined concerning the ſame, and to be further dealt withal according to Law. In the due Execution, &c. Given, &c. the 14th *October*, 1694.

J. TRENCHARD.

HABEAS CORPUS *for* NATH. SHARPE,

XX.
Banco Regis
6 W. & M.

Warrant in the ſame Form as the preceding.

HABEAS CORPUS *by Lord Chief Juſtice* Holt *for* JOHN THOMSON.

XXI.
Banco Regis
7 W. III.

THESE are, in their Majeſties Name, to authorize and require you, forthwith to repair to ſuch Places in *Kent*, *Suſſex*, and *Surry*, as you ſhall have Notice of; and there, taking a Conſtable to your Aſſiſtance, to make ſtrict and diligent Search for all Letters and Packets that are deſigned to be ſent to *France*, and, them having found, to ſecure, together with the Perſon or Perſons in whoſe Cuſtody they ſhall be taken, and bring the ſaid Perſons before me, to be examined concerning the Premiſes, and further to be dealt with according to Law. And in the due Execution, &c. Given, &c. the 27th *December*, 1694.

SHREWSBURY.

XXII.
B. R. 7 W. III.

THESE are, in his Majeſty's Name, to authorize and require you, to take into your Cuſtody *John Thompſon*, *Paramor Thompſon*, *John Acuſt*, *Henry Smith*, and *John Allan*, together with their Papers, for publiſhing and diſperſing treaſonable

ſonable and ſeditious Libels, and other treaſonable Practices, and to bring them before me, to be examined concerning ſuch Things as ſhall be objected againſt them, relating to the Premiſes, and to be further dealt with according to Law. And for ſo doing, &c. Given, &c 21 *Aug.* 1695.

SHREWSBURY.

HABEAS CORPUS *by Lord Chief Juſtice* Holt *for* JOHN CLARKE.

XXIII. Banco Regis 7 W. III.

WHEREAS I have received Information, that *John Clarke* hath gone out of this Kingdom into the Dominions of the *French* King, and from thence returned again without Leave, and has carried on a Correſpondence with his Majeſty's Enemies; Theſe are, therefore, in his Majeſty's Name, to authorize and require you, to take into your Cuſtody the Body of the ſaid *John Clarke*, in order to his being examined concerning the Premiſes, and dealt with according to Law. And for ſo doing, &c. Given, &c. the 14th *January*, 1694-5.

J. TRENCHARD.

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EDWARD, *Earl of* Jerſey, *Viſcount* Villiers *of* Darford, &c.

XXIV. Jerſey Warr. Book

THESE are in his Majeſty's Name to authorize and require you forthwith to repair to *Canterbury*, and there, taking a Conſtable to your Aſſiſtance, to apprehend *Nicholas Shoar*, for publiſhing and diſperſing Papers, containing falſe, ſcandalous, and ſeditious News, tending to the Diſturbance of his Majeſty's Government, and the Peace of the Kingdom; as alſo to ſeize all Papers of the like Nature that ſhall be found in his Cuſtody; and you are to bring him before me, to be examined concerning the

the Premiſes, and to be further dealt with according to Law. In the due Execution whereof all Mayors, Sheriffs, Juſtices of the Peace, Conſtables, and all others his Majeſty's Officers, Civil and Military, and loving Subjects, whom it may concern, are hereby required to be aiding and aſſiſting to you, as there ſhall be Occaſion. And for ſo doing, this ſhall be your Warrant. Given at the Court at *Whitehall*, the 22d Day of *Auguſt* 1699.

JERSEY.

HABEAS CORPUS *by the Lord Chief Juſtice* Holt *for* John Dyer.

XXV.
B. R. 11 W. III.
Secretary Vernon.

THESE are in his Majeſty's Name to authorize and require you, taking a Conſtable to your Aſſiſtance, to make ſtrict and diligent Search for *John Dyer*, and him having found, you are to ſeize and apprehend for writing and publiſhing falſe and ſeditious News-papers, tending to the Diſturbance of the Peace of the Kingdom, and bring him before me, together with his Papers, to be examined concerning the Premiſes, and to be further dealt with according to Law. In the due Execution, *&c.* Dated the 12th of *September* 1699.

JA. VERNON.

HABEAS CORPUS *by Lord Chief Juſtice* Holt, *for* David Fitzgerald.

XXVI.
B. R. 13 W. III.
Secretary Hodges.

THESE are, in his Majeſty's Name, to authorize and require you, taking a Conſtable to your Aſſiſtance, forthwith to make ſtrict and diligent Search for Mr. *David Fitzgerald*; and him having found, you are to apprehend and ſeize, for making and diſperſing treaſonable and ſeditious Books and Pamphlets, and

and to bring him, together with his Papers, before me to be examined concerning the Premiſes, and further dealt with according to Law. In the due Execution, &c. Dated *June* 5, 1701.

C. HODGES.

During the Reign of Queen ANNE.

HABEAS CORPUS *for* John Fox.

XXVII. B. R. 4 Anne.

THESE are, in her Majeſty's Name, to authorize and require you, taking a Conſtable to your Aſſiſtance, forthwith to make ſtrict and diligent Search for *John Fox*, a Porter, and him having found, you are to ſeize and ſecure for publiſhing ſeditious Libels, and to bring him, together with his Papers, in ſafe Cuſtody, before me, to be examined concerning the Premiſes, and to be further dealt with according to Law; and in the due Execution, &c. Given, &c. the 15th of *January* 1705-6.

ROB. HARLEY.

HABEAS CORPUS *for* George Strahan.

XXVIII. B. R. 4 Anne.

THESE are, in her Majeſty's Name, to authorize and require you, taking a Conſtable to your Aſſiſtance, forthwith to make ſtrict and diligent Search for *George Strahan*, and him having found, you are to ſeize and ſecure, for publiſhing a ſeditious Libel, intituled, the Memorial of the Church of *England*; and to bring him, together with his Papers, in ſafe Cuſtody, before me, to be examined concerning the Premiſes, and to be further dealt with according to Law. And in the due Execution, &c. Given, &c. the 19th of *January* 1705-6.

ROB. HARLEY.

HABEAS CORPUS *for* William Shiers.

XXIX. Banco Regis.

THESE are, in her Majeſty's Name, to authorize and require you, taking to your Aſſiſtance a Conſtable, forthwith to make ſtrict and diligent Search for *William Shiers*, Gent. and him having found, you are to ſeize and ſecure, for being concerned in printing and publiſhing a ſeditious Libel, intituled, The Memorial of the Church of *England*, &c. and you are to bring him, together with his Papers, in ſafe Cuſtody before me to be examined concerning the Premiſes, and to be further dealt with according to Law. In the due Execution, &c. Given, &c. the 25th of *January* 1705-6.

ROB. HARLEY.

HABEAS CORPUS *granted by the Court of* King's-Bench *for* William Shippen, *Eſq*;

XXX. B. R. 4 Anne.

THESE are, in her Majeſty's Name, to authorize and require you, taking to your Aſſiſtance a Conſtable, forthwith to make ſtrict and diligent Search for *William Shippen*, Eſq; and him having found, you are to ſeize and ſecure, for being concerned in publiſhing ſeditious Libels, and you are to bring him, together with his Papers, in ſafe Cuſtody, before me, to be examined concerning the Premiſes, and to be further dealt with according to Law. In the due Execution, &c. Given, &c. *February* 1, 1705-6.

ROB. HARLEY.

This Return being filed Mr. Shippen *put in Bail in open Court.*

XXXI. *Dec.* 22, 1709. *Sunderland* Warrants, Book No. 9, p. 69.

WHEREAS I have received Information of ſeveral alien Enemies, and other diſaffected Perſons, whoſe Names are unknown, lately come from *France*, upon evil and dangerous Deſigns

Deſigns againſt her Majeſty's Government, Theſe are therefore, in her Majeſty's Name, to authorize and require you, taking a Conſtable to your Aſſiſtance, forthwith to make ſtrict and diligent Search for the ſaid Perſons, of whom you ſhall have Notice; and them, or any of them, having found, you are to ſeize and apprehend, and to bring them, together with their Papers, ſafe before me, to be examined concerning the Premiſes, and ſuch other Matters as ſhall be laid to their Charge, and to be further dealt with according to Law. In the due Execution whereof, all Mayors, Sheriffs, Juſtices of the Peace, Conſtables, and all other her Majeſty's Officers, Civil and Military, and loving Subjects, whom it may concern, are to be aiding and aſſiſting to you as there ſhall be Occaſion; and for ſo doing this ſhall be your Warrant. Given at *Whitehall* the 22d Day of *December*, 1709.

SUNDERLAND.

HABEAS CORPUS *granted by Sir* Thomas Parker, *Chief Juſtice, for* HENRY HILLS.

XXXII. Banco Regis, 10 Anne Reg.

THESE are, in her Majeſty's Name, to authorize and require you, forthwith, taking a Conſtable to your Aſſiſtance, to make ſtrict and diligent Search for *Henry Hills* and *Thomas Harriſon*, and, them having found, you are to ſeize and ſecure, for publiſhing and vending a ſcandalous and ſeditious Libel, called A Welcome to the Medal, or an excellent new Song called The Conſtitution reſtored in 1711; and bring them in ſafe Cuſtody before me, to be examined concerning the Premiſes, and to be further dealt with according to Law. In the due Execution, &c. Given, &c. the 28 *September*, 1711.

H. ST. JOHN.

HABEAS CORPUS *for* John Darby.

XXXIII. B. R. 10 Anne Reg.

THESE are, in her Majeſty's Name, to authorize and require you forthwith, taking a Conſtable to your Aſſiſtance, to make ſtrict and diligent Search for *John Darby*, Printer, and Mrs. *S*—— *Popping*, and them having found, you are to ſeize and ſecure, for publiſhing and vending a ſcandalous and ſeditious Libel called, (the Obſervator, No 74. Vol. 10) and bring him in ſafe Cuſtody before me, to be examined concerning the Premiſes, and to be further dealt with according to Law. In the due Execution, &c. Given, &c. 28th of *September* 1711.

H. ST. JOHN.

HABEAS CORPUS *for* Benjamin Harris.

XXXIV. B. R. 10 Anne Reg.

THESE are, in her Majeſty's Name, to authorize and require you forthwith, taking a Conſtable to your Aſſiſtance, to make ſtrict and diligent Search for *Benjamin Harris*, and him having found, you are to ſeize and ſecure, for vending and publiſhing three ſcandalous and ſeditious Libels, one entitled, The Proteſtant Poſt-Boy, Numb. 36, another with the ſame Title, Numb. 37, and the other with the ſame Title, Numb. 38, and you are to bring him in ſafe Cuſtody before me, to be examined concerning the Premiſes, and to be further dealt with according to Law. In the due Execution, &c. Given, &c. *December* 3, 1711.

H. ST. JOHN.

During the Reign of King GEORGE *the First.*

XXXV. 22 Aug. 1714. Criminal Warrant Book *(b)*.

WHEREAS I have received Information that *John Baker* is the Publiſher of a ſcandalous and ſeditious Pamphlet, entitled, the Flying-Poſt, Theſe are, in his Majeſty's Name, to will and require you, taking a Conſtable to your Aſſiſtance, to make diligent Search for the ſaid *John Baker*, and him having found, to apprehend and bring before me, together with his Papers, in order to be examined, and to be further dealt with according to Law. In the due Execution, &c. Given, &c. at *Whitehall*, 21ſt of *Auguſt* 1714.

W. BROMLEY.

XXXVI. Townſhend 6 Jan. 1714-15. Criminal Warrant Book No. 1. p. 161.

THESE are, in his Majeſty's Name, to authorize and require you forthwith, taking a Conſtable to your Aſſiſtance, to make ſtrict and diligent Search for —— *Scott*, Book-keeper to the *Exeter* Carrier, at the *Saracen's-Head*, in *Friday-Street*, and him having found, you are to ſeize and ſecure, for being aiding and aſſiſting in diſperſing traiterous Libels againſt his Majeſty, and bring him, together with his Books and Papers, in ſafe Cuſtody, before me, to be examined concerning the ſame, and to be further dealt with according to Law. Dated at *Whitehall*, 6th of *Jan.* 1714-15.

TOWNSHEND.

XXXVII. 4 April 1715. Crim. War. Book No. 1. p. 168.

THESE are, in his Majeſty's Name, to authoriſe and require you, taking a Conſtable to your Aſſiſtance, to make ſtrict and diligent Search for Mr. *Thomas Kelſale*, and him having found, you are to ſeize and ſecure, for diſperſing a ſcandalous and

(b) The Pages are not marked in ſeveral of the Secretary of State's Books, which is the Reaſon they are ſometimes not referred to.

and ſeditious Libel againſt his Majeſty, and his Government, entitled A Defence of the K—, in Anſwer to what is commonly called his M——y's Moſt Gracious Speech, and bring him in ſafe Cuſtody before me, to be examined concerning the Premiſes, and be further dealt with according to Law. In the due Execution, &c. Dated at *Whitehall*, 4th of *April*, 1715.

TOWNSHEND.

XXXVIII.
30 May 1715.
Criminal Warrant Book p. 21.

THESE are, in his Majeſty's Name, to authorize and require you, taking a Conſtable to your Aſſiſtance, to make ſtrict and diligent Search in ſuch Places as you ſhall have Notice, for *S. Keimer*, and him having found, you are to apprehend and bring before me, to be examined concerning the publiſhing and diſperſing a certain ſcandalous Pamphlet, reflecting upon the Royal Family, and to be further dealt with according to Law. In the due Execution whereof, &c. Given at *Whitehall*, the 30th Day of *May* 1715.

JAMES STANHOPE.

HABEAS CORPUS *for* George Strahan.

XXXIX.
B. R. 2d George I.

THESE are, in his Majeſty's Name, to authorize and require you forthwith, taking a Conſtable to your Aſſiſtance, to make ſtrict and diligent Search for *George Strahan*, Bookſeller, over-againſt the *Royal-Exchange*, together with his Journeyman, *Laws*, Apprentices, Servant Maids, and ſuch Lodgers as ſhall be found in his Houſe, and them having found, you are to ſeize and ſecure, upon Suſpicion of treaſonable Practices, and bring them in ſafe Cuſtody before me, to be examined concerning the Premiſes, and to be further dealt with according to Law. In the due Execution, &c. Given, &c. *Aug.* 11. 1715.

TOWNSHEND.

XL.
20 *March* 1715-6.
Lord *Townſhend*'s Criminal Warr. Book

THESE are, in his Majeſty's Name, to authorize and require you forthwith, taking a Conſtable to your Aſſiſtance, to repair to and there make ſtrict and diligent Search for a private Printing-Preſs, which having found, you are to ſeize and ſecure, together with ſuch Perſons to whom the ſaid Preſs doth belong, or who are employed to print in that Houſe, and alſo all ſuch Books and Sheets, which you ſhall find in the ſaid Houſe, and you are to bring the ſaid Perſons before me, to be examined concerning the Premiſes, and to be further dealt with according to Law. In the due Execution whereof, &c. Dated *March* 20, 1715-16.

TOWNSHEND.

XLI.
20 *April* 1716.
Lord *Townſhend*'s Criminal Warr. Book

THESE are, *&c.* to make ſtrict and diligent Search for the Author, Printer, and Publiſhers of a ſeditious and ſcandalous Paper, intitled, *Robin*'s laſt Shift; and, them having found, you are to ſeize and ſecure, for ſeditious Practices againſt his Majeſty and his Government, and bring them, together with their Papers, in ſafe Cuſtody, before me, to be examined concerning the Premiſes, and to be further dealt with according to Law. And for ſo doing, *&c.* Dated 20 *April*, 1716.

TOWNSHEND.

HABEAS CORPUS *for* RICHARD BUTLER.

XLII.
B. R. 2. *Geo.* I.

THESE are, in his Majeſty's Name, to authorize and require you, taking to your Aſſiſtance a Conſtable, to make ſtrict and diligent Search, in ſuch Places as you ſhall have Notice, for Colonel *Richard Butler*, and, him having found, you are to ſeize and apprehend, for dangerous and treaſonable Prac-

tices

tices againſt his Majeſty and Government; and to bring him, together with his Papers, ſafe before me, to be examined concerning the Premiſes, and to be further dealt with according to Law. In the due Execution, *&c.* Given, *&c.* 7 *May*, 1716.

JA. STANHOPE.

HABEAS CORPUS *for* WILLIAM WALKER.

XLIII. Banco Regis 2 *Geo.* I.

THESE are, by his Royal Highneſs's Command, to authorize and require you, forthwith to repair to *Doncaſter*, in the County of *York*, and there, taking a Conſtable to your Aſſiſtance, to make ſtrict and diligent Search for *William Walker*, Alderman of *Doncaſter* aforeſaid; and, him having found, you are to ſeize and ſecure, for uttering ſcandalous and ſeditious Words againſt his Majeſty, and bring him, together with his Papers, in ſafe Cuſtody, before me, to be examined concerning the Premiſes, and to be farther dealt with according to Law. In the due Execution, *&c.* Given, *&c.* the 5th *September*, 1716.

TOWNSHEND.

XLIV. 10 *Nov.* 1716. Crim. Book.

THESE are, by his Royal Highneſs's Command, to authorize and require you, forthwith, taking a Conſtable to your Aſſiſtance, to make ſtrict and diligent Search for the Authors, Printers, and Publiſhers, of a treaſonable and highly ſeditious Libel, intitled, The Shift Shifted, *&c.* and other treaſonable and ſeditious Libels; and, them having found, you are to ſeize and ſecure, and bring, together with their Papers, in ſafe Cuſtody, before me, to be examined concerning the Premiſes, and to be further dealt with according to Law. In the due Execution thereof, all Mayors, Sheriffs, Juſtices of the Peace, Conſtables, and others, his Majeſty's Officers, Civil and Military, and loving Subjects,

Subjects, whom it may concern, are to be aiding and aſſiſting to you, as there ſhall be Occaſion; and for ſo doing this ſhall be your Warrant. Given at *Whitehall*, the 10th Day of *Nov.* 1716.

TOWNSHEND.

XLV.
10 Jan. 1716-17. Criminal Warrant Book.

WHEREAS Information has this Day been given me, that a certain ſeditious Libel, has, within a few Hours, been publiſhed in the Houſe of —— *Sunderland*, a Coffeeman, in *Warwick-Lane*, *London*; Theſe are, in his Royal Highneſs's Name, to authorize and require you, taking a Conſtable to your Aſſiſtance, to make ſtrict and diligent Search for the ſaid Libel in the ſaid Houſe, and, the ſame having found, you are to ſeize, and alſo to ſecure the Perſon of the ſaid —— *Sunderland*, or any other Perſon whom you ſhall find publiſhing the ſaid Libel, and bring them, together with their Papers, ſafe before me, to be examined concerning the Premiſes, and to be further dealt with according to Law. In the due Execution whereof, &c. Dated *January* 10, 1716-7.

P. METHUEN.

XLVI.
9 Aug. 1717. Criminal Warrant, Book No. 2.

THESE are, in his Majeſty's Name, to authorize and require you, forthwith to repair to the *Mint* in *Southwark*, and there, taking a Conſtable to your Aſſiſtance, to make ſtrict and diligent Search for *W. Moore*, and, him having found, you are to ſeize and ſecure, on Suſpicion of being the Author or Publiſher of a Book or Pamphlet, intitled, A Letter from a Gentleman in the *Mint* to his Friend in *London*; and bring him, together with his Papers, in ſafe Cuſtody, before me, to be examined concerning the Premiſes, and to be further dealt with according to Law. In, &c. Given at *Whitehall*, the 9th Day of *Auguſt*, 1717.

J. ADDISON.

XLVII.
6 Aug. 1719. Criminal War. Book p. 300.

WARRANT to *John Bill* and *John Du Comun*, to apprehend the Author, Printer, and Publiſher, of a Paper, entitled, The St. *James*'s Poſt, *&c.* No. 707, from *Wedneſday*, *July* 29, to *Friday*, *July* 31, 1719; for a Miſdemeanor, in inſerting in the ſaid Paper the pretended Copy of a Letter, written by Order of the Lords Juſtices, without Leave or Direction of their Excellencies. Dated 6th of *Auguſt*, 1719.

J. CRAGGS.

XLVIII.
25 May 1720. War. Book p. 330.

WHEREAS I have received Information, That a Bale or large Parcel of ſeditious and treaſonable Ballads, and other Libels, particularly one, entitled, The *Oxford* Loyalty, directed to Mrs. *Elizabeth Cole*, alias *Green*, is bringing to Town, Theſe are in his Majeſty's Name, to authorize and require you, taking a Conſtable to your Aſſiſtance, to repair to ſuch Places, as you ſhall have Notice, and ſtrictly to ſearch for the Bale or large Parcel, as above-mentioned, and to ſeize and ſecure the ſame, as likewiſe the ſaid *Elizabeth Cole*, alias *Green*, and to bring her ſafe before me, to be examined concerning the Premiſes, and to be further dealt with according to Law, &c. Dated the 25th of *May* 1720.

STANHOPE.

XLIX.
27 Feb. 1721-2. Ld. Townſhend's Warrant, Book

WARRANT directed to *Elias Chalke* and *Daniel Chandler*, two of his Majeſty's Meſſengers, to ſeize and apprehend the Author, Publiſher, and Printer, of a certain ſcandalous and ſeditious Libel, entitled, The Freeholder's Journal, *Wedneſday*, *Feb.* 7, 1721, No. 4. Dated 27 *Feb.* 1721-2.

WHEREAS

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21 *Feb.* 1721-2.
Lord *Townſhend's*
Warr Book

WHEREAS the Weſtern Mails have, of late, been frequently robbed, and I have received Information, that there is juſt Ground to ſuſpect, that certain Perſons, in the Pariſh of *Sherburn*, and elſewhere, have been concerned in ſuch Robberies, ſome as Principals, and others as Acceſſaries to the ſame; Theſe are, therefore, in his Majeſty's Name, to authorize and require you, taking a Conſtable or other proper Officer of the Peace to your Aſſiſtance, to make ſtrict and diligent Search in ſuch Places as you ſhall have Notice, for ſuch Perſons as ſhall be deſcribed to you as guilty of the Crime aforeſaid; and for ſuch Pacquets, Bills, and other Things, as have been ſtolen out of the ſaid Mails; and, them having found, you are to ſeize and apprehend, and bring them, together with the ſaid Pacquets, Bills, and other Things, ſafe before me, to be examined concerning the Premiſes, and to be further dealt with according to Law. For the due Execution whereof, all Mayors, *&c.* Dated 21 *Feb.* 1721-2.

TOWNSHEND.

LI.
24 *March* 1721-2.
Warr. Book

THESE are, in his Majeſty's Name, to Will and require you, taking a Conſtable to your Aſſiſtance, to make ſtrict and diligent Search, in the Shops, Work-houſes, and Warehouſes, and Dwelling-houſes of *T. Sharpe*, in *Ivy-Lane*, Printer, and *T. Payne*, at the Crown in *Pater-noſter-Row*, Publiſher, and in ſuch other Places as you ſhall have Notice, for a ſeditious, and ſcandalous, and traiterous, Libel, entitled, The Supplement to the Freeholders Journal, of *Wedneſday*, *March* 21, *Friday*, *March* 23, 1721, No. 10; and to ſeize all Copies of the ſaid Libel, whether written or printed, which you ſhall find, and all Perſons in whoſe Cuſtody the ſame ſhall be found, as alſo the ſaid *T. Sharpe* and *T. Payne*, and the Author or Authors, and other the Publiſher or Publiſhers of the ſaid Libel, and them, and

and every of them, to bring before me, to be examined concerning the Premiſes, and further dealt with according to Law. In due, *&c.* *Whitehall*, the 24th Day of *March*, 1721-2, in the eighth Year of his Majeſty's Reign.

CARTERET.

LII.
Record Banco Reg.
8 Geo. I.

Mr. Sharpe *brought his* Habeas Corpus *into the Court of* King's-Bench, *and was held to Bail on this Warrant.*

LIII.
6 Aug. 1722.
Criminal Warrant Book No. 2.

THESE are, in his Majeſty's Name, to authorize and require you, forthwith, taking a Conſtable to your Aſſiſtance, to make ſtrict and diligent Search for Dr. *Gaylard* and *Nathaniel Miſt*, and, them having found, you are to ſeize and ſecure, for printing and publiſhing a ſcandalous and ſeditious Libel, entitled, The Weekly Journal, or *Saturday*'s Poſt, of *Saturday*, *Auguſt* 4 1722; and bring them, together with their Papers, in ſafe Cuſtody, before me, to be examined concerning the Premiſes, and to be further dealt with according to Law. In the due Execution, *&c.* Dated *Whitehall*, *Auguſt* 6, 1722.

CARTERET.

LIV.
26 Sept. 1722.
Warrant Book.

THESE are, in his Majeſty's Name, to authorize and require you, taking a Conſtable to your Aſſiſtance, to make ſtrict and diligent Search in the Houſe of the Right Honourable Lord *North and Grey*, for treaſonable and ſeditious Letters and Papers, which, having found, you are to ſeize, and to apprehend the Perſon or Perſons in whoſe Cuſtody the ſame ſhall be found, and to bring ſuch Perſon and Perſons, together with the ſaid Papers, before me, to be examined, and further dealt with according to Law. For the due Execution thereof, &c. Dated *September* 26, 1722.

TOWNSHEND.

LV.
11 Dec. 1722.
Warrant Book.

WHEREAS I have received Information, that *Samuel Aris* has printed, and is going to publiſh, a ſcandalous and ſeditious Libel, the Title of which is yet unknown; Theſe are, in his Majeſty's Name, to authorize and require you, taking a Conſtable to your Aſſiſtance, to make ſtrict and diligent Search for the ſaid *Samuel Aris*, of whom you ſhall have Notice, and, him having found, you are to ſeize and apprehend, as alſo ſuch Perſon or Perſons as you ſhall have juſt Cauſe to ſuſpect to have been, or to be aiding and aſſiſting to him, in printing and publiſhing the ſame; and carefully and diligently ſearch the Houſe, Work-houſe, and other Houſes and Places to the ſaid *Samuel Aris* belonging, for traiterous, ſcandalous, and ſeditious Libels, and to ſeize all ſuch Libels as you ſhall there find and diſcover, and all Copies thereof, and to bring the ſame, together with the ſaid *Samuel Aris*, and ſuch his Abettor or Abettors, as beforementioned, and his or their Papers, before me, to be examined concerning the Premiſes, and further dealt with according to Law. In the due Execution whereof, *&c.* And for ſo doing, *&c.* Given at *Whitehall* the 11th Day of *December*, 1722, in the ninth Year of his Majeſty's Reign.

CARTERET.

LVI.
26 Jan. 1722-3.
Warrant Book

THESE are, in his Majeſty's Name, to Will and require you, taking a Conſtable to your Aſſiſtance, to make ſtrict and diligent Search in the Shop, Work-houſes, Warehouſes, and Dwelling-houſes, of *John Barber*, Alderman of *London*, and, in ſuch Places as you ſhall have Notice, for a ſeditious and ſcandalous Libel, entitled, The ſecond Volume of the Works of *John Sheffield*, Duke of *Buckingham*; and to ſeize all Copies of the ſaid Libel, whether written or printed, which you ſhall find, and them to bring ſafe to me. In the due Execution whereof, *&c.* Dated at *Whitehall* the 26th of *January*, 1722-3, in the ninth Year of his Majeſty's Reign.

CARTERET.

LVII.
7 Jan. 1722-3.
Warrant Book.

WHEREAS I have received Information, that an Edition or an Abſtract of the Trial of *Chriſ. Layer*, is printing in a clandeſtine Manner, and without the Allowance of the Court where the ſaid Trial was had; Theſe are, therefore, in his Majeſty's Name, to authorize and require you, taking a Conſtable to your Aſſiſtance, to make ſtrict and diligent Search, in ſuch Places as you ſhall have Notice, for the ſaid Edition or Abſtract, and the ſame, or any written Copy thereof, or any Part thereof, having found, to ſeize and detain, and to bring the Perſon or Perſons, in whoſe Cuſtody the ſame ſhall be found, together with his or their Papers, before me, to be examined concerning the Premiſes, and to be further dealt with according to Law. In the due Execution whereof, *&c.* Dated at *Whitehall*, the 7th Day of *February*, 1722-3.

TOWNSHEND.

LVIII.
7 Feb. 1722-3.
Warrant Book.

WHEREAS I have received Information, that certain Books, purporting to be Sermons preached by Dr. *Welton*, and containing Matters of treaſonable, ſeditious, and dangerous Import, printed and ready to be publiſhed, are in the Cuſtody of *James*, Printer, in *Little Britain*, and of a Bookſeller, whoſe Name is yet unknown, at the Sign of the Flower-de-Luce over-againſt St. *Dunſtan*'s Church, in *Fleet-Street*; Theſe are, therefore, *&c.* to make ſtrict and diligent Search in the Houſes, Shops, and Warehouſes, of the ſaid *James*, and the ſaid Bookſeller, and ſuch other Places as you ſhall have Notice, for the ſaid treaſonable and ſeditious Libel, or the ſame or any written Copy thereof, or any Part thereof, having found, to ſeize and detain, and to bring the Perſon or Perſons in whoſe Cuſtody the ſame ſhall be found, together with his or their Papers, before me, to be examined concerning the Premiſes, and to be further dealt with according to Law. In the due Execution, &c. Dated at *Whitehall*, the 7th Day of *February*, 1722-3.

TOWNSHEND.

LIX.
21 May, 1723.
Warrant Book.

WHEREAS I have received Information, that a blaſphemous and atheiſtical Libel, intitled, De Trinitate Divina, is now under the Preſs; Theſe are, in his Majeſty's Name, to authorize and require you, taking a Conſtable to your Aſſiſtance, to make ſtrict and diligent Search in all Work-houſes, Warehouſes, or any other Places, where you ſhall have Reaſon to ſuſpect the ſame may be found, and to ſeize all Copies of the ſaid Libel, whether written or printed, or any Part thereof, which you ſhall find, and them to bring ſafe to me, together with the Perſon or Perſons, in whoſe Cuſtody the ſame ſhall be found, to be examined concerning the Premiſes, and further dealt with according to Law. In the due Execution whereof, *&c.* Dated *May* 21, 1723.

CARTERET.

LX.
25 June, 1723.
Warrant Book.

THESE are, in his Majeſty's Name, to authorize and require you, taking a Conſtable to your Aſſiſtance, to make ſtrict and diligent Search for *N. Miſt*, the Printer of a ſeditious and traiterous Libel, entitled, The Weekly Journal, or *Saturday's* Poſt, and for any other Printer or Printers, and Publiſher or Publiſhers of the ſaid Libel, whoſe Names are yet unknown, and of whom you ſhall have Notice, and him and them having found, to ſeize and apprehend, for printing and publiſhing the ſaid Libel, and to bring him and them, together with his or their Papers, in ſafe Cuſtody before me, to be examined and further dealt with according to Law. In the due Execution, &c. Dated the 25th Day of *June* 1723.

R. WALPOLE.

LXI.
31 Jan. 1723-4.
Warrant Book.

WHEREAS I have received Information, that a treaſonable Libel, entitled, A Continuation of the Review of the Hiſtory of *England*, and of the ſeveral Titles and Succeſſions of

of the Kings of *England*, ſince the Conqueſt, is now under the Preſs, Theſe are, in his Majeſty's Name, to authorize and require you, taking a Conſtable to your Aſſiſtance, to make ſtrict and diligent Search in all Workhouſes, Warehouſes, or any other Places where you ſhall have Reaſon to ſuſpect the ſame may be found, to ſeize Copies of the ſaid Libel, whether written or printed, or any Part thereof, which you ſhall find, and them to bring ſafe to me, together with the Perſon or Perſons in whoſe Cuſtody the ſame ſhall be found, to be examined concerning the Premiſes, and further dealt with according to Law. In the due Execution whereof, &c. Given at *Whitehall*, the 31ſt Day of *January* 1723-24.

CARTERET.

During the Reign of King GEORGE *the Second.*

LXII.
25 Aug. 1728.
Criminal Warrant Book.

THESE are, in his Majeſty's Name, to authorize and require you, taking a Conſtable to your Aſſiſtance, to make ſtrict and diligent Search for the Author, Printer and Publiſher of a treaſonable, ſcandalous, and ſeditious Libel, entitled, *Miſt*'s Weekly Journal, Numb. 175, *Saturday*, *Auguſt* 24, 1728, and them or any of them having found, to ſeize and apprehend, and bring, together with his or their Papers, in ſafe Cuſtody before me, to be examined concerning the Premiſes, and further dealt with according to Law. In, &c.

HOLLES NEWCASTLE.

LXIII.
1 Sept. 1728.
Criminal Warrant Book.

THESE are, in his Majeſty's Name, to authorize and require you, taking a Conſtable to your Aſſiſtance, to make ſtrict and diligent Search for *Burton*, Printer, and other Perſons,

ſons, whoſe Names are unknown, of whom you will have Notice, for printing and publiſhing a treaſonable, ſcandalous and ſeditious Libel, entitled, *Miſt*'s Weekly Journal, Numb. 175, *Saturday*, *Auguſt* 24, 1728, and them, or any of them, having found, to ſeize and apprehend, and bring, together with his, or their Papers, in ſafe Cuſtody, before me, to be examined concerning the Premiſes, and further dealt with according to Law. In due Execution whereof &c. Given at *Hampton-Court*, the 1ſt Day of *September*, 1728, in the ſecond Year of his Majeſty's Reign.

HOLLES NEWCASTLE.

LXIV.
19 July, 1729.
Warrant Book.

THESE are, in his Majeſty's Name, to authorize and require you, taking a Conſtable to your Aſſiſtance, to make ſtrict and diligent Search for *R*—— *Franclin*, of whom you ſhall have Notice, and him having found, to ſeize and apprehend, for printing and publiſhing a falſe, ſcandalous and ſeditious Paper, entitled, The Country Journal of the *Craftſman*, No. 158, *Saturday*, *July* 12, 1729, and to bring him, together with his Papers, in ſafe Cuſtody, before me, to be examined concerning the Premiſes, and further dealt with according to Law. In, &c. Given at *Kenſington*, the 19th Day of *July* 1729, in the third Year of his Majeſty's Reign.

HOLLES NEWCASTLE.

LXV.
12 Sept. 1729.
Warrant Book.

THESE are, in his Majeſty's Name, to authorize and require you, taking a Conſtable to your Aſſiſtance, to make ſtrict and diligent Search for *R. Franklin*, of whom you ſhall have Notice, and him having found, to ſeize and apprehend, for printing and publiſhing a ſcandalous and ſeditious Libel, entitled, The Country Journal, or the *Craftſman*, by *Caleb D'Anvers*, of *Gray's-*

Gray's-Inn, Eſq; *Saturday*, *July* 26, 1729, No. 160, and to bring him, together with his Papers, in ſafe Cuſtody before me, to be examined concerning the Premiſes, and further dealt with according to Law. In, &c. Given at *Kenſington*, the 12th Day of *September*, 1729, in the third Year of his Majeſty's Reign.

HOLLES NEWCASTLE.

LXVI.
12 Sept. 1729.
Warrant Book.

THESE are, in his Majeſty's Name, to authorize and require you, taking a Conſtable to your Aſſiſtance, to make ſtrict and diligent Search for the Author, Printer and Publiſher of a ſcandalous and ſeditious Libel, entitled, A ſecond Letter from a Member of Parliament, to his Friend in the Country, together with the Pacific Fleet, a new Ballad, and them or any of them having found, to ſeize and apprehend, and to bring, together with his or their Papers, in ſafe Cuſtody before me, to be examined concerning the Premiſes, and further dealt with according to Law. In, &c. Given at *Kenſington*, the 12th Day of *September* 1729, in the third Year of his Majeſty's Reign.

HOLLES NEWCASTLE.

LXVII.
6 Dec. 1730.
Warrant Book.

WARRANT directed to *John Baillie*, and *Nocholas Sharp*, two of his Majeſty's Meſſengers in Ordinary, to repair to *Norwich*, and there to receive the Body of *Thomas Franko*, alias *Frank*, ſeized upon Suſpicion of felonious and dangerous Practices, and to bring him, together with his Papers, in ſafe Cuſtody before me, to be examined. Dated at *Whitehall*, the 6th Day of *December* 1730.

THESE

LXVIII. 9 Jan. 1730-1. Warrant Book.

THESE are, in his Majeſty's Name, to authorize and require you, taking a Conſtable to your Aſſiſtance, to make ſtrict and diligent Search for *Ann Dodd*, *Elizabeth Nutt*, and *Ann Smith*, of whom you ſhall have Notice, and them or any them having found, you are to ſeize and apprehend, for publiſhing two falſe, ſcandalous and ſeditious Libels, the one entitled, The Country Journal, or the *Craftſman*, by *Caleb D'Anvers*, of *Gray's-Inn*, Eſq; *Saturday*, *January* 2, 1730, No. 235; and the other entitled, The Country Journal, or the *Craftſman*, by *Caleb D'Anvers*, of *Gray's-Inn*, Eſq; *Saturday*, *January* 9, 1730, No. 236, and to bring them or any of them, together with their Papers, in ſafe Cuſtody before me, to be examined concerning the Premiſes, and to be further dealt with according to Law. In the due Execution whereof all Mayors, &c. Dated at *Whitehall*, the 9th Day of *January* 1730-1.

HARRINGTON.

LXIX. 27 March, 1732. Warrant Book.

THESE are, in his Majeſty's Name, to authorize and require you, taking a Conſtable to your Aſſiſtance, to make ſtrict and diligent Search for the Author, Printer and Publiſhers of a ſcandalous and ſeditious Libel, entitled, *Fog*'s Weekly Journal, Numb. 177, *Saturday*, *March* 25, 1732, and them or any of them having found, to ſeize and apprehend, and bring, together with his or their Papers, in ſafe Cuſtody before me, to be examined concerning the Premiſes, and further dealt with according to Law. In, &c. Given at *Whitehall*, the 27th Day of *March*, 1732, in the fifth Year of his Majeſty's Reign.

HOLLES NEWCASTLE.

LXX. 19 Oct. 1733. Warrant Book.

THESE are, in his Majeſty's Name, to authorize and require you, taking a Conſtable to your Aſſiſtance, to make ſtrict and diligent Search for the Author, Printer and Publiſher of a ſcandalous

ſcandalous and ſeditious Libel, entitled, *Fog*'s Weekly Journal, No. 258, *Saturday*, *October* 13, and them or any of them, having found, to ſeize and apprehend, and bring, together with his or their Papers before me, to be examined concerning the Premiſes, and farther dealt with according to Law. In the due Execution, &c. Dated *Hampton-Court*, *October* 19, 1733.

HOLLES NEWCASTLE.

LXXI. 19 Oct. 1733. Criminal Warr. Book

THESE are, in his Majeſty's Name, to authorize and require you, taking a Conſtable to your Aſſiſtance, to make ſtrict and diligent Search for the Author, Printer, and Publiſher, of a ſcandalous and ſeditious Libel, entitled, A Word to the Freeholders and Burgeſſes of *Great Britain*; and them, or any of them, having found, to ſeize and apprehend, and bring, together with his or their Papers, in ſafe Cuſtody, to be examined concerning the Premiſes, and further dealt with according to Law. In the due Execution, *&c.* Dated *ut ſupra*.

HOLLES NEWCASTLE.

LXXII. 16 June 1737. Criminal Warr. Book

THESE are, in his Majeſty's Name, to authorize and require you, taking a Conſtable to your Aſſiſtance, to make ſtrict and diligent Search for the Author, Printer, and Publiſhers, of a treaſonable, ſcandalous, and ſeditious Libel, entitled, The Alchymiſt, or Weekly Laboratory, by *Joſhua Boyle*, Eſq; No. 21, *Saturday*, *June* 4, 1737; and them, or any of them, having found, to ſeize and apprehend, and bring, together with his or their Papers, in ſafe Cuſtody, before me, to be examined concerning the Premiſes, and further dealt with according to Law. In the due Execution whereof, *&c.* Given at *Whitehall*, the 16th Day of *June*, 1737, in the eleventh Year of his Majeſty's Reign.

HOLLES NEWCASTLE.

HABEAS CORPUS *for* SARAH STEVENS.

LXXIII. Banco Regis 11 & 12 *Geo.* II.

THESE are, in his Majeſty's Name, to authorize and require you, taking a Conſtable to your Aſſiſtance, to make ſtrict and diligent Search for the Author, Printer, and Publiſhers, of a moſt falſe, ſcandalous, and ſeditious Libel, entitled, The Country Journal, or the Craftſman, by *Caleb D'Anvers*, of *Gray's-Inn*, Eſq; *Saturday*, *July* 2, 1737, No. 574; and them, or any of them having found, to ſeize and apprehend, and bring, together with his or their Papers, in ſafe Cuſtody, before me, to be examined concerning the Premiſes, and further dealt with according to Law. In the due Execution, *&c.* Given, *&c.* the 10th *July*, 1737.

HOLLES NEWCASTLE.

LXXIV. 19 July 1737. Warr Book

THESE are, in his Majeſty's Name, to authorize and require you, taking a Conſtable to your Aſſiſtance, forthwith to make ſtrict and diligent Search for the Authors, Printers, and Publiſhers, of a falſe, ſcandalous, and ſeditious Libel, entitled, *Fog*'s Weekly Journal, No. 7, *Saturday*, *July* 16, 1737; of whom you ſhall have Notice, and, them having found, you are to ſeize and apprehend, for writing, printing, and publiſhing, the ſaid falſe, ſcandalous, and ſeditious Libel, and to bring them, together with their Papers, ſafe before me, to be examined concerning the Premiſes, and further dealt with according to Law. In the due, *&c.* Given at *Whitehall*, the 19th Day of *July*, 1737, in the eleventh Year of his Majeſty's Reign.

HARRINGTON.

LXXV. 18 Oct. 1739. War. Book

THESE are, in his Majeſty's Name, to authorize and require you, taking a Conſtable to your Aſſiſtance, to make ſtrict and diligent Search for the Author, Printer, and Publiſhers, of a ſcandalous

a ſcandalous and ſeditious Libel, entitled, The Country Journal, or Original Craftſman, by *Caleb D'Anvers*, of *Gray's-Inn*, Eſq; *Saturday*, *Oct.* 13, 1739, No. 714; and them, or any of them, having found, to ſeize and apprehend, and bring, together with his and their Papers, in ſafe Cuſtody, before me, to be examined concerning the Premiſes, and further dealt with according to Law. In the due, *&c.* Given at *Whitehall*, the 18th Day of *October*, 1739, in the thirteenth Year of his Majeſty's Reign.

HOLLES NEWCASTLE.

LXXVI.
15 July 1740.
Warrant Book.

THESE are, in his Majeſty's Name, to authorize and require you, taking a Conſtable to your Aſſiſtance, to make ſtrict and diligent Search for the Author, Printer, and Publiſhers, of a ſcandalous and ſeditious Libel, entitled, The *London* Evening Poſt, from *Thurſday*, *July* the 10th, to *Saturday*, *July* the 12th, 1740, No. 1976; and them, or any of them, having found, to ſeize and apprehend, and bring, together with his or her Papers, in ſafe Cuſtody, before me, to be examined concerning the Premiſes, and to be further dealt with according to Law. In the due Execution whereof, *&c.* Given at *Whitehall*, the 15th Day of *July*, 1740, in the fourteenth Year of his Majeſty's Reign.

HOLLES NEWCASTLE.

LXXVII.
15 July 1740.
Warr. Book

THESE are, in his Majeſty's Name, to authorize and require you, taking a Conſtable to your Aſſiſtance, to make ſtrict and diligent Search for the Author, Printer, and Publiſhers, of a ſcandalous and ſeditious Libel, entitled, The Daily Poſt, *Saturday*, *July* 12, 1740, No. 6,504; and them, or any of them, having found, to ſeize and apprehend, and bring, together with his or their Papers, in ſafe Cuſtody, before me, to be examined concerning the Premiſes, and further dealt with according to

Law. In the due, *&c.* Given at *Whitehall*, the 15th Day of *July*, 1740, in the 14th Year of his Majeſty's Reign.

HOLLES NEWCASTLE.

Upon a HABEAS CORPUS *granted for* Henry Cook.

LXXVIII. B. R. 17 & 18 Geo. II.

THESE are, in his Majeſty's Name, to authorize and require you, taking a Conſtable to your Aſſiſtance, to make ſtrict and diligent Search for the Author, Printer and Publiſhers of a ſcandalous and ſeditious Libel, entitled, A true Dialogue between *Thomas Jones*, a Trooper, lately returned from *Germany*, and *John Smith*, a Serjeant in the firſt Regiment of Foot-Guards, and them or any of them having found, to ſeize and apprehend, and bring, together with his or their Papers, in ſafe Cuſtody before me, to be examined concerning the Premiſes, and further dealt with according to Law. In the due Execution, &c. Given, &c. *Nov.* 14, 1743.

HOLLES NEWCASTLE.

Upon the ſame HABEAS CORPUS *the following Warrant was returned.*

LXXIX. B. R. 17 & 18 Geo. II.

THESE are, in his Majeſty's Name, to authorize and require you, taking a Conſtable to your Aſſiſtance, to make ſtrict and diligent Search for the Author, Printer and Publiſhers of a blaſphemous, impious, and ſeditious Libel, entitled, *Old England's Te Deum*, and them or any of them having found, to ſeize and apprehend and bring, together with his or their Papers, in ſafe Cuſtody, to be examined concerning the Premiſes, and further dealt with according to Law. In the due Execution, &c. Given, &c. *Nov.* 14, 1743.

HOLLES NEWCASTLE.

Upon a HABEAS CORPUS *for* John Shuckburgh, *the Warrants Verbatim the ſame as the two laſt, were returned and filed.* LXXX. LXXXI.

LXXXII.

Upon a HABEAS CORPUS *for* John Hinton, *the like Warrants were returned and filed.* LXXXIII. B. R. 17 & 18 Geo. II.

Upon a HABEAS CORPUS *for* Benj. Cowſe, *the ſame Warrant was returned and filed.* LXXXIV. B. R. 17 & 18 Geo. II.

THESE are, in his Majeſty's Name, to authorize and require you, taking a Conſtable to your Aſſiſtance, to make ſtrict and diligent Search for the Author, Printer and Publiſhers of a ſcandalous and ſeditious Libel, entitled, *Old England*, or the Conſtitutional Journal, *Saturday*, *January* 28, 1744, No. 52. and them or any of them having found, to ſeize and apprehend and bring, together with his or their Papers, in ſafe Cuſtody before me, to be examined concerning the Premiſes, and further dealt with according to Law, In due, &c. Given at *Whitehall*, *Jan.* 30, 1743-4, in the ſeventeenth Year of his Majeſty's Reign. LXXXV. 30 Jan. 1743-4. War. Book

HOLLES NEWCASTLE.

Upon a HABEAS CORPUS *granted for* JANE MORGAN.

THESE are, in his Majeſty's Name, to authorize and require you, taking a Conſtable to your Aſſiſtance, to make ſtrict and diligent Search for the Author, Printer, and Publiſhers of a ſcandalous and ſeditious Libel, entitled, Old *England*, or the LXXXVI. 30 Jan. 1743-4. Banco Regis 18 Geo. II.

the Conſtitutional Journal, *Saturday, January* 28, 1744, No. 52; and them, or any of them, having found, to ſeize and apprehend, and bring, together with his or their Papers, in ſafe Cuſtody before me, to be examined concerning the Premiſes, and further dealt with according to Law. In the due, &c. Given at *Whitehall*, the 30th Day of *January*, 1743-4, in the ſeventeenth Year of his Majeſty's Reign.

HOLLES NEWCASTLE.

LXXXVII. 26 Feb. 1743-4. Original *(c)*

THESE are, in his Majeſty's Name, to authorize and require you, taking a Conſtable to your Aſſiſtance, to make ſtrict and diligent Search for *James*, Earl of *Barrymore*, of whom you ſhall have Notice, and, him having found, you are to ſeize and apprehend, for Suſpicion of High Treaſon, and to bring, in ſafe Cuſtody, together with his Papers, before me, to be examined concerning the Premiſes, and further dealt with according to Law. In the due, &c. Given at *Whitehall*, the 26th Day of *February*, 1743-4, in the ſeventeenth Year of his Majeſty's Reign.

HOLLES NEWCASTLE.
CARTERET.

LXXXVIII. 5 April 1745. Warrant Book.

THESE are, in his Majeſty's Name, to authorize and require you, taking a Conſtable to your Aſſiſtance, to make ſtrict and diligent Search for the Authors, Printers, and Publiſhers of a moſt obſcene and infamous Book of Prints, entitled, A compleat Sett of Charts of the Coaſts of Merryland, wherein are exhibited all the Ports, Harbours, Creeks, Bays, Rocks, Sands, Settings, Bearings, Gulphs, Promontories, Limits, Boun-

(c) Such of the Extracts as are *thus marked* are taken from the original Warrants, under the Hands and Seals of the Secretaries of State.

daries,

daries, &c. of whom you ſhall have Notice, and them, or any of them, having found, you are to ſeize and apprehend, for engraving and publiſhing the ſaid moſt obſcene and infamous Book, and to bring them, together with ſuch of the ſaid Books, as you ſhall find in their Cuſtody, before me, to be examined concerning the Premiſes, and to be further dealt with according to Law. In the due Execution whereof, &c. Given at *Whitehall*, the 5th Day of *April*, 1745, in the eighteenth Year of his Majeſty's Reign.

HARRINGTON.

LXXXIX.
5 April 1745.
Warrant Book.

THESE are, in his Majeſty's Name, to authorize and require you, taking a Conſtable to your Aſſiſtance, forthwith to make ſtrict and diligent Search for the Authors, Printers and Publiſhers of two moſt obſcene and infamous Books, the one entitled, Aretinus Redivivus, or the Lady's Academy, tranſlated from the original *French*, by Philo-Cunnus, Poſture Profeſſor, in the Univerſity of *Paphos*, adorned with twenty-four curious Copper-plates, and the other, entitled, The School of *Venus*, or the Lady's Delight, reduced into Rules of Practice, of whom you ſhall have Notice, and them, or any of them having found, you are to ſeize and apprehend, for writing, printing and publiſhing the ſaid moſt obſcene and infamous Books, and to bring them, together with ſuch of the ſaid Books as you ſhall find in their Cuſtody, ſafe before me, to be examined touching the Premiſes, and further dealt with according to Law. In, &c. Given at *Whitehall*, *April* 5, 1745, in the eighteenth Year of his Majeſty's Reign.

HARRINGTON.

XC.
21 May 1745.
Criminal Warrant Book.

THESE are, in his Majeſty's Name, to authorize and require you, taking a Conſtable to your Aſſiſtance, to make ſtrict and diligent Search for the Author, Printer and Publiſher of a treaſonable

treaſonable, ſcandalous and ſeditious Libel, entitled, *Old England*, or the Conſtitutional Journal, by *Jeffrey Broadbottom* of *Covent-Garden*, Eſq; *Saturday*, *May* 18, 1745, No. 110, and them or any of them having found, to ſeize and apprehend, and bring, together with his or their Papers, in ſafe Cuſtody before me, to be examined concerning the Premiſes, and further dealt with according to Law. In the due Execution, *&c.* Given at *Whitehall* the 21ſt Day of *May*, 1745, in the eighteenth Year of his Majeſty's Reign.

HOLLES NEWCASTLE.

XCI.
27 May, 1745.
Criminal Warrant Book.

THESE are, in his Majeſty's Name, to authorize and require you, taking a Conſtable to your Aſſiſtance, to make ſtrict and diligent Search for the Author, Printer, and Publiſhers of a treaſonable, ſcandalous, and ſeditious Libel, entitled, *Old England*, or the Conſtitutional Journal, by *Jeffery Broadbottom*, of *Covent Garden*, Eſq; *Saturday*, *May* 18, 1745, Numb. 110, and them, or any of them, having found, to ſeize and apprehend, and bring, together with his or their Papers, in ſafe Cuſtody before me, to be examined concerning the Premiſes, and further dealt with according to Law. In the, &c. Given at *Whitehall*, *May* 27, 1745, in the eighteenth Year of his Majeſty's Reign.

HOLLES NEWCASTLE.

XCII.
16 Aug. 1745.
Criminal Warrant Book.

THESE are, in his Majeſty's Name, to authorize and require you, taking a Conſtable to your Aſſiſtance, to make ſtrict and diligent Search for the Author, Printer and Publiſhers of a ſcandalous and ſeditious Libel, entitled, The Daily Poſt, *Friday*, *Aug.* 16, 1745, Numb. 8099, and them, or any of them, having found, to ſeize and apprehend, and bring, together with his

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or their Papers, in ſafe Cuſtody before me, to be examined concerning the Premiſes, and further dealt with according to Law. In the due, &c. Given at *Whitehall*, the 16th Day of *Auguſt*, in the nineteenth Year of his Majeſty's Reign.

HOLLES NEWCASTLE.

XCIII.
10 Dec. 1745.
Original.

THESE are, in his Majeſty's Name to authorize and require you, taking a Conſtable to your Aſſiſtance, to make ſtrict and diligent Search, in ſuch Places as you ſhall have Notice, for the Printers and Publiſhers of certain treaſonable Libels, called, The Declarations of the Pretender to his Majeſty's Crown, or of his Son; and them, or any of them, having found, to ſeize and apprehend, for printing and publiſhing the ſaid treaſonable Libels, and to bring them, together with their Papers, and ſuch of the ſaid treaſonable Libels as you ſhall find in their Cuſtody, before me, to be examined concerning the Premiſes, and further dealt with according to Law. In the due, &c. Given at *Whitehall, Nov.* 10, 1745, in the nineteenth Year of his Majeſty's Reign.

HARRINGTON.

XCIV.
31 Dec. 1746.
Original.

THESE are, in his Majeſty's Name, to authorize and require you, taking a Conſtable to your Aſſiſtance, to make ſtrict and diligent Search, in ſuch Places whereof you ſhall have Notice, for the Printers and Publiſhers of a certain treaſonable Libel, entitled, A true Copy of the Paper read by Mr. *James Bradſhaw*, and delivered by him to the Sheriff of *Surry*, juſt before his Execution at *Kennington-Common*, on *Friday, Nov.* 28, 1746; and them, or any them, having found, to ſeize and apprehend, for printing and publiſhing the ſaid treaſonable Libel, and to bring, together with their Papers, and ſuch of the ſaid treaſonable Libels as ſhall be found in their Cuſtody before me,

to be examined concerning the Premiſes, and further dealt with according to Law. In the due Execution, &c. Given at *Whitehall, Dec.* 31, 1746, in the twentieth Year of his Majeſty's Reign.

HOLLES NEWCASTLE.

XCV.
3 Jan. 1746-7.
Original.

THESE are, in his Majeſty's Name, to authorize and require you, taking a Conſtable to your Aſſiſtance, to make ſtrict and diligent Search for the Author, Printers, and Publiſhers, of a treaſonable Pamphlet, entitled, *Aſcanius*, or the Young Adventurer, and them, or any of them, having found, to ſeize and apprehend, and to bring them, together with his or their Papers, in ſafe Cuſtody, before me, to be examined concerning the Premiſes, and further dealt with according to Law. In the due, *&c.* Given at *Whitehall*, the 3d Day of *January*, 1746-7, in the twentieth Year of his Majeſty's Reign.

HOLLES NEWCASTLE.

XCVI.
11 May 1748.
Original.

THESE are, in his Majeſty's Name, to authorize and require you, taking a Conſtable to your Aſſiſtance, to make ſtrict and diligent Search for the Author, Printers and Publiſhers of a certain treaſonable and ſeditious Libel, called, The Country Journal, or the *Craftſman*, by *Caleb D'Anvers*, of *Gray's-Inn*, Eſq; *Saturday, May* 7, 1748, No. 1140; and them, or any of them, having found, to ſeize and apprehend, together with their Papers, and to bring them, or any of them, with their Papers, before me, to be examined concerning the Premiſes, and further dealt with according to Law. In the due Execution, &c. Given at *Whitehall*, the 11th Day of *May*, 1748, in the twenty-firſt Year of his Majeſty's Reign.

HOLLES NEWCASTLE.

THESE

XCVII.
18 Feb. 1748-9.
Original.

THESE are, in his Majeſty's Name, to authorize and require you, taking a Conſtable to your Aſſiſtance, to make ſtrict and diligent Search for the Author, Printer, and Publiſhers, of a falſe and ſeditious Libel, entitled, The *London* Gazetteer, *Thurſday*, *Feb.* 16, 1749, No. 64; and them, or any of them, having found, to ſeize and apprehend, and to bring them, together with their Papers, in ſafe Cuſtody, before me, to be examined concerning the Premiſes, and further dealt with according to Law. In the due, *&c.* Given at *Whitehall*, *Feb.* 18, 1748-9, in the twenty-ſecond Year of his Majeſty's Reign.

HOLLES NEWCASTLE.

XCVIII.
8 March 1748-9.
Original.

THESE are, in his Majeſty's Name, to authorize and require you, taking a Conſtable to your Aſſiſtance, to make ſtrict and diligent Search for the Author, Printer, and Publiſhers, of a ſcandalous and ſeditious Libel, entitled, A Dialogue between *Thomas Jones*, a Life-guard Man, and *John Smith*, late a Serjeant in the firſt Regiment of Foot-Guards, juſt returned from *Flanders*; and them, or any of them, having found, to ſeize and apprehend, and to bring them, together with their Papers, in ſafe Cuſtody, before me, to be examined concerning the Premiſes, and further dealt with according to Law. In the due Execution thereof, &c. Given at *Whitehall*, *March* 8, 1748-9, in the twenty-ſecond Year of his Majeſty's Reign.

HOLLES NEWCASTLE.

XCIX.
22 July 1749.
Original.

WHEREAS I have received Information, that *Mable Ryley*, *Robert Marſhall*, *John Drew*, *Walton Collins*, and ſeveral other Perſons, whoſe Names are unknown, being Artificers in the Woollen Manufacture, are on Board the Ship *Dorothy* and *Mary*,

bound for *Malaga*, and now lying at the *Nore*; and that the ſaid Perſons are going to *Spain*, with an Intention there to exerciſe and teach their reſpective Trades; Theſe are, therefore, in his Majeſty's Name, to authorize and require you, taking a Conſtable to your Aſſiſtance, forthwith to repair on Board the ſaid Ship, and to ſeize and apprehend the ſaid *Mable Ryley*, *Robert Marſhall*, *John Drew*, *Walton Collins*, and others, of whom you ſhall have Notice, and to bring them, in ſafe Cuſtody, before me, to be examined concerning the Premiſes, and further dealt with according to Law. In the due, *&c.* Given at *Whitehall*, the 22d Day of *July*, 1749, in the twenty-third Year of his Majeſty's Reign.

HOLLES NEWCASTLE.

C.
28 Sept. 1749.
Original.

WHEREAS I have received Information, that certain ſeditious and treaſonable Prints, one of which is entitled, The agreeable Contraſt between the formidable *John* of *Gant*, and *Don Carlos*, of Southern Extraction; are now publiſhed; Theſe are, in his Majeſty's Name, to authorize and require you, taking a Conſtable to your Aſſiſtance, to make ſtrict and diligent Search for the Author, Engraver, Printers and Publiſhers of the ſaid Prints, and them having found, to ſeize and apprehend, and bring, together with their Papers, before me, to be examined concerning the Premiſes, and further dealt with according to Law. In the due, &c. Given at *Whitehall*, *September* 28, 1749, in the twenty-third Year of his Majeſty's Reign.

HOLLES NEWCASTLE.

CI.
3 Oct. 1749.
Original.

WHEREAS I have received Information, upon Oath, that *Joſias Knight*, of *Tokenhouſe-Yard*, *London*, Merchant, has contracted with ſeveral Manufacturers and Artificers, to go into

into foreign Parts out of his Majeſty's Dominions, Theſe are, in his Majeſty's Name, to authorize, and require you taking a Conſtable to your Aſſiſtance, to make ſtrict and diligent Search for the ſaid *Joſias Knight*, and bring him, together with his Papers, (and particularly all Books, Papers and Patterns, directed to, or deſigned for *Thomas Bevan*, or *Theophilus Nembeaux*) before me, to be examined concerning the Premiſes, and further dealt with according to Law. In the due, &c. Given at *Whitehall, October* 5, 1749, in the twenty-third Year of his Majeſty's Reign.

BEDFORD.

CII.
8 Nov. 1749.
Original.

THESE are, in his Majeſty's Name, to authorize and require you, taking a Conſtable to your Aſſiſtance, to make ſtrict and diligent Search for the Author, Printer and Publiſhers of a moſt obſcene and infamous Book, entitled, the Memoirs of a Woman of Pleaſure, of whom you ſhall have Notice, and him, them, or any of them, having found, you are to ſeize and apprehend, for writing, printing, and publiſhing the ſaid moſt obſcene and infamous Book, and to bring him or them, together with ſuch of the ſaid Books as you ſhall find in his or their Cuſtody, ſafe before me, to be examined concerning the Premiſes, and further dealt with according to Law. In the due, &c. Given at *Whitehall, November* 8, 1749, and in the twenty-third Year of his Majeſty's Reign.

HOLLES NEWCASTLE.

CIII.
6 Dec. 1749.
Original.

WHEREAS I have received Information, that a ſcandalous, ſeditious and treaſonable Pamphlet, entitled, A Letter from H—— G——g, Eſq; one of the Gentlemen of the Bedcamber to the young Chevalier, is printed and ſold, Theſe are, in his Majeſty's Name, to authorize and require you, taking a Conſtable

ſtable to your Aſſiſtance, to make ſtrict and diligent Search for the Author, Printer and Publiſhers of ſaid Pamphlet, and them or any of them having found, to ſeize and apprehend, and to bring, together with their Papers, in ſafe Cuſtody before me, to be examined concerning the Premiſes, and further dealt with according to Law. In the due Execution, &c. Given at *Whitehall*, the 6th Day of *December* 1749, in the twenty-third Year of his Majeſty's Reign.

HOLLES NEWCASTLE.

CIV. 26 Dec. 1749. Original.

THESE are, in his Majeſty's Name, to authorize and require you, taking a Conſtable to your Aſſiſtance, to make ſtrict and diligent Search for *Richard Medcaffe*, of whom you ſhall have Notice, and him having found, to ſeize and apprehend for being concerned in the ſeducing Artificers and Manufacturers to leave this Kingdom, in order to go and teach their reſpective Trades in foreign Parts, and to bring him, together with his Papers, in ſafe Cuſtody, before me, to be examined concerning the Premiſes, and further dealt with according to Law. In the due Execution whereof, &c. Given at *Whitehall*, the 26th of *December* 1749, in the 23d Year of his Majeſty's Reign.

HOLLES NEWCASTLE.

CV. 15 March, 1749-50, Original.

WHEREAS I have received Information, that an obſcene and infamous Book, entitled, Memoirs of *Fanny Hill*, is printed and publiſhed, Theſe are, in his Majeſty's Name, to authorize and require you, taking a Conſtable to your Aſſiſtance, to make ſtrict and diligent Search for the Author, Printer and Publiſhers of the ſaid Book, and him, them, or any of them having found, to ſeize and apprehend, and bring together with their Papers, before me, to be examined concerning the Premiſes,

miſes, and further dealt with according to Law. In the due Execution whereof, *&c.* Given at *Whitehall, March* 15, 1749-50, in the twenty-third Year of his Majeſty's Reign.

HOLLES NEWCASTLE.

CVI.
31 March 1750.
Original.

WHEREAS I have received Information, that —— *Slaughter, John French, Henry Wheeler,* —— *Brown, James Lynch,* —— *Mac Donald,* —— *Horſtead,* (three Apprentices of *Richard Rooth,* Ship-Builder,) *Walter M'Kemyns,* Joiner, *William Richards,* and *his Brother, Edward Duff,* and *James Coller,* and *ſeveral others,* are preparing to depart this Kingdom, in order to exerciſe their ſeveral Trades and Employments out of his Majeſty's Dominions, Theſe are, in his Majeſty's Name, to authorize and require you, taking a Conſtable to your Aſſiſtance, to make ſtrict and diligent Search for the ſaid —— *Slaughter, John French, Henry Wheeler,* —— *Brown, James Lynch,* —— *Mac Donald,* —— *Horſtead, Walter M'Kemyns, William Richards,* and his Brother, *Edward Duff,* and *James Coller,* and ſuch others as you ſhall have Notice, and them having found, you are to bring them, together with their Papers, in ſafe Cuſtody, before me, to be examined concerning the Premiſes, and to be further dealt with according to Law. In the due Execution, *&c.* Given at *Whitehall, March* 31, 1750, in the 23d Year of his Majeſty's Reign.

BEDFORD.

CVII.
30 May 1750.
Original.

WHEREAS I have received Information, that ſeveral Perſons, whoſe Names are unknown, being Artificers in the Woollen Manufacture, are on Board a Ship, now lying in the River, and that the ſaid Perſons are going Abroad, with an Intent to teach and exerciſe their reſpective Trades out of his Majeſty's Dominions, Theſe are, in his Majeſty's Name, to authorize

rize and require you, taking a Conſtable to your Aſſiſtance, to repair on Board the ſaid Ship, of which you ſhall have Notice, and to ſeize and apprehend the ſaid Perſons, of whom you ſhall likewiſe have Notice, and to bring them in ſafe Cuſtody before me, to be examined concerning the Premiſes, and further dealt with according to Law. In the due Execution, &c. Given at *Whitehall, May* 30, 1750, in the twenty-third Year of his Majeſty's Reign.

BEDFORD.

CVIII.
27 Nov. 1750.
Original.

THESE are, in his Majeſty's Name, to authorize and require you, taking a Conſtable to your Aſſiſtance, to make ſtrict and diligent Search for the Authors, Printers and Publiſhers of a Book, entitled, A Manual of Devout Prayers and Devotions, for every Day in the Week, Morning and Evening, fitted for all Perſons and Occaſions. In which are contained, an Explanation of the principal Feſtivals throughout the Year; the Profeſſion of faith; the Order of the Holy Maſs, in *Latin*, and *Engliſh*, the Method of ſaying the Roſary, &c. *London*, printed and ſold by *J. Marmaduke*, Bookſeller, in *May's-Buildings*, *St. Martin's-Lane*, M.DCC.L. And them, or any of them, having found, to ſeize, apprehend, and bring, together with the whole Impreſſion of the ſaid Book, and all Papers thereunto relating, in ſafe Cuſtody, before me, to be examined concerning the Premiſes, and further dealt with according to Law. In the due, &c. Given at *Whitehall, November* 27, 1750, in the twenty-fourth Year of his Majeſty's Reign.

HOLLES NEWCASTLE.

CIX.
5 Dec. 1750.
Original.

THESE are, in his Majeſty's Name, to authorize and require you, taking a Conſtable to your Aſſiſtance, to make ſtrict and diligent Search for the Authors, Printers, and Publiſhers

liſhers of a Popiſh Book, entitled, Morning and Night Prayers, with the Litanies and Prayers, recommended to be ſaid in Catholic Families, in *Latin* and *Engliſh: London*, printed for and ſold by *J. Marmaduke*, Bookſeller, in *May*'s-*Buildings*, St. *Martin*'s-*Lane*, M.DCC.LI. As alſo for the Authors, Printers, and Publiſhers, of all Popiſh Manuals, Breviaries, Roſaries, and Miſſals, containing ſuperſtitious Matter, contrary to the Doctrine and Diſcipline of the Church of *England*; and them, or any of them, having found, to ſeize and apprehend, and, together with their Books and Papers, and all Impreſſions of the ſaid Works, which you ſhall be able to come at, to bring, in ſafe Cuſtody, before me, to be examined concerning the Premiſes, and to be further dealt with according to Law. In the due Execution whereof, *&c.* Given at *Whitehall*, the 5th Day of *December*, 1750, in the twenty-fourth Year of his Majeſty's Reign..

HOLLES NEWCASTLE.

CX.
18 Jan. 1750-1.
Original.

WHEREAS I have received Information, that certain ſeditious and treaſonable Maps and Prints, with large Explanations of the ſame, are now publiſhed within the Cities of *London* and *Weſtminſter*, and the Liberties thereof, and ſeveral other Places within this Kingdom, in order to corrupt the Minds of his Majeſty's faithful and loyal Subjects; Theſe are, therefore, in his Majeſty's Name, to authorize and require you, taking a Conſtable to your Aſſiſtance, to make ſtrict and diligent Search, in all ſuch Places, of which you ſhall have Notice, for the Authors, Publiſhers, Printers, Engravers, Hawkers, and Venders of ſuch ſeditious and treaſonable Maps and Prints, their Explanations and Plates, and them, or any of them, having found, to ſeize and ſecure, together with all ſuch Maps, Prints, Plates, and Papers, and to bring the Perſon or Perſons, in whoſe Cuſtody they ſhall be found, before me, to be examined concerning the Premiſes, and further dealt with according to Law. In the

 due

due Execution, *&c.* Given at *Whitehall, January* 18, 1750-1, in the twenty-fourth Year of his Majeſty's Reign.

HOLLES NEWCASTLE.

CXI.
23 Jan. 1750-1.
Original.

THESE are, in his Majeſty's Name, to authorize and require you, taking a Conſtable to your Aſſiſtance, to make ſtrict and diligent Search for the Author, Printer, and Publiſhers of a falſe, malicious, wicked, and ſeditious Libel, entitled, Conſtitutional Queries, earneſtly recommended to the ſerious Conſideration of every true *Briton*; and them, or any of them, having found, to ſeize and apprehend, and bring before me, together with their Papers, to be examined concerning the Premiſes, and further dealt with according to Law. In the, &c. Given at *Whitehall, January* 23, 1750-1, in the twenty-fourth Year of his Majeſty's Reign.

HOLLES NEWCASTLE.

CXII.
11 Feb. 1750-1.
Original.

THESE are, in his Majeſty's Name, to authorize and require you, taking a Conſtable to your Aſſiſtance, to make ſtrict and diligent Search for the Author, Printer and Publiſhers of a falſe, malicious, wicked, and ſeditious Libel, entitled, Queries humbly offered to the Conſideration of every true *Engliſhman*; and them, or any of them, having found, to ſeize, apprehend, and bring, together with their Papers, in ſafe Cuſtody, before me, to be examined concerning the Premiſes, and further dealt with according to Law. In due, &c. Given at *Whitehall, Feb.* 11, 1750-1, in the twenty-fourth Year of his Majeſty's Reign.

HOLLES NEWCASTLE.

Upon

Upon a HABEAS CORPUS *for* JOHN MERES.

CXIII.
Habeas Corpus.
Banco Regis.
17 & 18 Geo. II.

THESE are, in his Majeſty's Name, to authorize and require you, taking a Conſtable to your Aſſiſtance, to make ſtrict and diligent Search for the Author, Printer and Publiſhers of a ſcandalous and ſeditious Libel, entitled, The *London* Evening Poſt, from *Saturday, September* 20, to *Tueſday, October* 1, 1751, No. 3736; and them, or any of them, having found, to ſeize and apprehend, and bring, together with their Papers, before me, to be examined concerning the Premiſes, and further dealt with according to Law. In the due Execution whereof, *&c.* Given at *Whitehall*, the 2d Day of *October*, 1751.

HOLLES NEWCASTLE.

CXIV.
29 May 1752.
Original.

THESE are, in his Majeſty's Name, to authorize and require you, forthwith to repair to *Portſmouth*, and, upon your Arrival there, taking a Conſtable to your Aſſiſtance, to make ſtrict and diligent Search for *A. Blaſdell*, and, him having found, you are to ſeize and apprehend, for having conveyed away, by Force, the Marquiſs of *Fratteaux* to *France*, and to bring him, together with his Papers, in ſafe Cuſtody, before me, to be examined concerning the Premiſes, and further dealt with according to Law. In the due Execution, *&c.* Given at *Whitehall, May* 29, 1752, in the twenty-fifth Year of his Majeſty's Reign.

HOLDERNESSE.

CXV.
13 Nov. 1752.
Original.

THESE are, in his Majeſty's Name, to authorize and require you, forthwith to repair to *Margate* in *Kent*, and there take into your Cuſtody *James Ramſey*, Owner of the Prince of *Wales* Sloop, for enticing Perſons into the Service of the *French*

King; and to bring him, together with his Papers, in ſafe Cuſtody, before me, to be examined concerning the Premiſes, and further dealt with according to Law. In the due, &c. Given at *Whitehall, Nov.* 13, 1752, in the twenty-ſixth Year of his Majeſty's Reign.

HOLDERNESSE.

CXVI.
15 Dec. 1752.
Original.

THESE are, in his Majeſty's Name, to authorize and require you, taking a Conſtable to your Aſſiſtance, to make ſtrict and diligent Search for the Author, Printer and Publiſhers of a certain ſcandalous and ſeditious Libel, entitled, The London Evening Poſt, from *Thurſday, December* 7, to *Saturday, Dec.* 9, 1752, Number 3918, and them or either of them having found, to ſeize and apprehend, and to bring, together with their Papers in ſafe Cuſtody before me, to be examined concerning the Premiſes, and further dealt with according to Law. In the due Execution, &c. Given at *Whitehall December* 15, 1752, in the twenty-ſixth Year of his Majeſty's Reign.

HOLLES NEWCASTLE.

CXVII.
28 Dec 1752.
Original.

THESE are, in his Majeſty's Name, to authorize and require you, taking a Conſtable to your Aſſiſtance, to make ſtrict and diligent Search for the Author, Printer, and Publiſhers, of a certain ſcandalous and ſeditious Libel, entitled, the London Gazetteer, *Tueſday, December* 26, 1752, No. 1204, and them or any of them having found, to ſeize and apprehend, and to bring, together with their Papers, before me, to be examined concerning the Premiſes, and further dealt with according to Law. In the due Execution, &c. Given at *Whitehall, December* 28, 1752, in the twenty-ſixth Year of his Majeſty's Reign.

HOLLES NEWCASTLE.

CXVIII.
20 Jan. 1753.
Original.

WHEREAS I have received Information, that *John Cooke*, Nephew to *Edward Duff*, formerly a Ship-Joiner, in *Deptford-Road*, and now a Maſter-Joiner in the Service of a foreign Prince, will very ſoon return to England, in order to ſeduce Artificers for foreign Service, Theſe are, in his Majeſty's Name, to authorize and require you, taking a Conſtable to your Aſſiſtance, to make ſtrict and diligent Search for the ſaid *John Cooke*, and to bring him, together with all Letters and Papers, belonging to him, to be examined before me. In the due Execution whereof, &c. Given at *Whitehall*, *Jan.* 20, 1753, in the twenty-ſixth Year of his Majeſty's Reign.

HOLDERNESSE.

CXIX.
12 May 1753.
Original.

THESE are, in his Majeſty's Name, to authorize and require you, taking a Conſtable to your Aſſiſtance, to make ſtrict and diligent Search for the Author Printer, and Publiſher of a certain treaſonable and ſeditious Pamphlet, entitled, *The genuine Journal*, &c. of whom you ſhall have Notice, and them or either of them having found, you are to ſeize and apprehend, and to bring, together with their Papers, in ſafe Cuſtody before me, to be examined concerning the Premiſes, and further dealt with according to Law. In the due Execution, &c. Given at *Whitehall*, *May* 12, 1753, in the twenty-ſixth Year of his Majeſty's Reign.

HOLLES NEWCASTLE.

CXX.
6 Feb. 1754.
Original.

WHEREAS I have received Information, that a Ship, now or lately called, The *Hardwicke* Indiaman, lying off *Graveſend*, has on Board a Number of his Majeſty's Subjects, who have engaged to go in the ſaid Ship to the *Eaſt-Indies*, there

to

to carry on a Trade under a foreign Commiſſion, contrary to ſeveral Acts of Parliament now in Force,— Theſe are, in his Majeſty's Name, to authorize and require you, forthwith to repair on Board the ſaid Ship, either at *Graveſend*, or wherever ſhe may be, and there, taking a Conſtable to your Aſſiſtance, to ſeize and apprehend, all ſuch of his Majeſty's Subjects, as you ſhall meet with, on Board of, or belonging to the ſaid Ship, and to bring them in ſafe Cuſtody before me, to be examined concerning the Premiſes, and further dealt with according to Law. As alſo to ſeize and apprehend a Perſon, likewiſe on Board the ſaid Ship, who avoids diſcovering his Name, and pretends to be a Native of *Flanders*, but is believed to be one Mr. *Clincart*, who is to have the Command of her. In the due, *&c.* Given at *Whitehall*, the 6th Day of *February*, 1754, in the 27th Year of his Majeſty's Reign.

HOLLES NEWCASTLE.

CXXI.
28 Sept. 1754.
Original.

THESE are, in his Majeſty's Name, to authorize and require you, taking a Conſtable to your Aſſiſtance, to make ſtrict and diligent Search for the Author, Printer and Publiſhers of a Paper, entitled, The London Evening Poſt, No. 4585, from *Saturday*, *September* the ſeventh, to *Tueſday*, *September* the tenth, 1754, containing, under Colour of a Letter, dated *Cambridge*, *July* the 29th, 1754, a moſt audacious, ſeditious and treaſonable Libel upon the Revolution, and the Settlement of the preſent Government, made in Conſequence of it, and them or any of them, having found, to ſeize and apprehend, and bring, together with his or their Papers, in ſafe Cuſtody, before me, to be examined concerning the Premiſes, and further dealt with according to Law. In the due Execution thereof, &c. Given, &c. the 28th Day of *September*, 1754, in the twenty-eighth Year of his Majeſty's Reign.

HOLDERNESSE.

CXXII.
10 June 1755.
Original.

WHEREAS I have received Information, that there is now in the Preſs, and ſpeedily will be publiſhed, a Pamphlet, entitled, the Iſland of *Zealand*, which is of a very ſeditious and treaſonable Nature, Theſe are, in his Majeſty's Name, to authorize and require you, taking a Conſtable to your Aſſiſtance, to make ſtrict and diligent Search for the Authors, Printers and Publiſhers of the ſaid Pamphlet, and bring them, together with the ſaid Pamphlet, in ſafe Cuſtody, before me, to be examined concerning the Premiſes, and to be further dealt with according to Law. In the due Execution, *&c.* Given at *Whitehall, June* 10, 1755, in the 28th Year of his Majeſty's Reign.

T. ROBINSON.

CXXIII.
24 Sept. 1755.
Original.

WHEREAS I have received Information, that certain lewd and infamous Books and Prints, are daily publiſhed and ſold at Shops and other Places, within the Cities of *London* and *Weſtminſter*, and the Liberties thereof, to the great Scandal of Religion and good Government. Theſe are, in his Majeſty's Name, to authorize and require you, taking a Conſtable to your Aſſiſtance, to make ſtrict and diligent Search in the Houſes, Warehouſes, Shops, and other Places, of which you ſhall have Notice, for ſuch lewd and infamous Books and Prints, and the ſame having found, to ſeize and ſecure, and alſo apprehend the Perſon or Perſons, in whoſe Cuſtody they ſhall be found, and bring them, together with ſuch lewd and infamous Books, and Prints, before me, to be examined, and further dealt with according to Law. In the due Execution, &c. Given at *Whitehall, Sept.* 24, 1755, in the twenty-eighth Year of his Majeſty's Reign.

T. ROBINSON.

THESE

CXXIV.
Habeas Corpus.
Banco Regis.
22 & 30 Geo. II.

THESE are, in his Majeſty's Name, to authorize and require you, taking a Conſtable to your Aſſiſtance, to make ſtrict and diligent Search for the Author, Printers, and Publiſhers, of a moſt impious and blaſphemous Pamphlet, entitled, Modeſt Remarks on the Biſhop of *London*'s ſeveral Diſcourſes preached in the *Temple* Church, and lately publiſhed in two Volumes, Octavo; in a Letter to his Lordſhip; with a Poſtſcript, containing Dr. *Sherlock*'s Creed, faithfully extracted from his own Writings; and them, or any of them, having found, to ſeize and apprehend, and bring, together with their Papers, as alſo the ſaid Pamphlet, and all the Copies of it which can be found, before me, to be examined concerning the Premiſes, and further dealt with according to Law. In the due, *&c.* Given at *Whitehall*, *Jan.* 10, 1756.

HOLDERNESSE.

CXXV.
2 Feb. 1755.
Original.

THESE are, in his Majeſty's Name, to authorize and require you, forthwith to repair to *Portſmouth*, and there, taking a Conſtable to your Aſſiſtance, to make ſtrict and diligent Search for a *Frenchman*, who goes by the Name of *William Bellec*, or *Bellee*, of whom you ſhall have Notice; and him having found, to ſeize and apprehend, upon Suſpicion of illegal Practices, and to bring him, together with his Papers, in ſafe Cuſtody, before me, to be examined concerning the Premiſes, and further dealt with according to Law. In the due Execution whereof, &c. Given at *Whitehall*, the 2d Day of *February*, 1756, in the twenty-eighth Year of his Majeſty's Reign.

T. ROBINSON.

THESE

CXXVI.
4 March 1756.
Original.

THESE are, in his Majeſty's Name, to authorize and require you, taking a Conſtable to your Aſſiſtance, to make ſtrict and diligent Search for *J. Scott*, of whom you ſhall have Notice, and, him having found, to ſeize and apprehend, for printing and publiſhing a moſt daring, wicked, and inſolent Libel, on his Majeſty, his Miniſtry, and the Parliament, entitled, A third Letter to the People of *England*, on Liberty, Taxes, and the Application of Public Money; and to bring him, together with all the Copies of the ſaid Libel, in ſafe Cuſtody before me, to be examined concerning the Premiſes, and further dealt with according to Law. In the due Execution, &c. Given at *Whitehall*, the 4th Day of *March*, 1756, in the twenty-ninth Year of his Majeſty's Reign.

HOLDERNESSE.

CXXVII.
8 March 1756.
Original.

THESE are, in his Majeſty's Name, to authorize and require you, taking a Conſtable to your Aſſiſtance, to make ſtrict and diligent Search for *John Shebbeare*, Doctor of Phyſic, of whom you ſhall have Notice, and, him having found, to ſeize and apprehend, for writing a moſt daring, wicked, and inſolent Libel, againſt the King, his Miniſters, and the Parliament, entitled, A third Letter to the People of *England*, on Liberty, Taxes, and the Application of Public Money; and bring him, together with his Papers, in ſafe Cuſtody before me, to be examined concerning the Premiſes, and further dealt with according to Law. In the due Execution, &c. Given at *Whitehall*, the 8th Day of *March*, 1756, in the twenty-ninth Year of his Majeſty's Reign.

HOLDERNESSE.

CXXVIII. 27 Aug. 1756. Original.

THESE are, in his Majeſty's Name to authorize and require you, taking a Conſtable to your Aſſiſtance, to make ſtrict and diligent Search for *John Siſwick*, of whom you ſhall have Notice, and, him having found, to ſeize and apprehend, for ſticking up a moſt ſcandalous and treaſonable Paper, on St. *Margaret's-Hill* in *Southwark*, containing as follows, Now ſelling by Auction, by Order of *Thomas Holles*, of *Newcaſtle*; *Great Britain*, and the Dominions belonging thereunto; *Gibraltar* and *Portmahon* were diſpoſed of the firſt Day, and the latter is already delivered; To-morrow comes on the Sale of the King and Royal Family; *Andrew Byng*, Broker and Auctioneer. *N.B.* For the better Conveniency of the Purchaſers, the Remainder will be divided into ſeparate Lots; and bring him, together with his Papers, in ſafe Cuſtody, before me, to be examined concerning the Premiſes, and further dealt with according to Law. In the due, *&c.* Given at *Whitehall*, *Auguſt* 27, 1756, in the thirtieth Year of his Majeſty's Reign.

HOLDERNESSE.

CXXIX. 23 Sept. 1756. Original.

WHEREAS I have received Information, that *Goy*, with his Servants, and Captain *Hamilton*, of whom you ſhall have Notice, have been guilty of illegal Practices; Theſe are, in his Majeſty's Name, to authorize and require you, taking a Conſtable to your Aſſiſtance, to make ſtrict and diligent Search for the ſaid *Goy*, his Servants, and Captain *Hamilton*, and them having found, to ſeize, together with their Papers, and to bring them before me, to be examined concerning the Premiſes, and further dealt with according to Law. In the due Execution, *&c.* Given at *Whitehall*, *September* 23, 1756, in the thirtieth Year of his Majeſty's Reign.

H. FOX.

WHEREAS

CXXX.
14 Sept. 1757.
Original.

WHEREAS I have received Information, that a *French* Prize, now or lately called the *Tryton*, lying at *Bell Wharf*, *Shadwell*, is ſuppoſed to have *French* Priſoners and others on Board, and to be deſigned for the *French* Service; Theſe are, in his Majeſty's Name, to authorize and require you, taking a Conſtable to your Aſſiſtance, to make ſtrict and diligent Search for the ſaid Ship, at *Shadwell*, or wherever ſhe may be, and, having found the ſame, to repair on Board, and detain her, till further Order; you are likewiſe to ſeize and apprehend all *French* Priſoners, and others, as you ſhall meet with on Board the ſaid Ship, and bring them, together with their Papers, in ſafe Cuſtody, before me, to be examined concerning the Premiſes, and further dealt with according to Law. In the due Execution, *&c.* Given at *Whitehall*, *September* 14, 1757, in the thirty-firſt Year of his Majeſty's Reign.

W. PITT.

CXXXI.
12 Jan. 1758.
Original.

THESE are, in his Majeſty's Name, to authorize and require you, taking a Conſtable to your Aſſiſtance, to make ſtrict and diligent Search for the Author, Printer, and Publiſhers, of a wicked, audacious, and treaſonable Libel, entitled, A ſixth Letter to the People of *England*, on the Progreſs of Natioal Ruin, in which is ſhewn, that the preſent Grandeur of *France*, and Calamities of this Nation, are owing to the Influence of *Hanover* on the Councils of *England*; *London*, printed for *J. Morgan* in *Pater-noſter-Row*, 1757; and them, or any of them, having found, to ſeize and apprehend, and bring, together with his or their Books and Papers, in ſafe Cuſtody, before me, to be examined concerning the Premiſes, and further dealt with according to Law. In the due Execution, *&c.* Given at *Whitehall*, *January* 12, 1758, in the thirty-firſt Year of his Majeſty's Reign.

HOLDERNESSE.

CXXXII.
23 Jan. 1758.
Original.

WHEREAS I have received Information, that a treaſonable Libel, entitled, A ſeventh Letter to the People of *England*, &c. is now printing in the Houſe of *Joſeph Smith*, Printer, in *Grace-Church-Ally*, *Wellcloſe-Square*, and, that Part of the Impreſſion is already conveyed away from thence to the Houſe of *William Toleman*, Apothecary, in *Grace-Church-Ally* aforeſaid; Theſe are, in his Majeſty's Name, to authorize and require you, taking a Conſtable to your Aſſiſtance, to make ſtrict and diligent Search in the ſaid Houſes of *Smith* and *Toleman*, for the Libel above-mentioned, and to ſeize all the Copies thereof, whether written or printed, which you ſhall find, and to bring them ſafe to me. In the due Execution, *&c.* Given at *Whitehall*, *Jan.* 23, in the thirty-firſt Year of his Majeſty's Reign.

HOLDERNESSE.

CXXXIII.
25 April 1759.
Original.

WHEREAS I have received Information, that there are great Quantities of Arms, Gun-powder, and warlike Stores of all Kinds, concealed in different Parts of the Iſland of *Man*, and on Board of Ships or Veſſels in the Ports of the ſame; Theſe are, in his Majeſty's Name, to authorize you, to repair on Board his Majeſty's Ship *Kennington*, now lying at *Liverpool*, and to proceed to the Iſland of *Man*, and, being there arrived, you are to make ſtrict and diligent Search throughout all the different Towns, Sea Ports, Ships, and Veſſels, and every other Part of the ſaid Iſland, or in the Sea Roads belonging to the ſame, for all Manner of Arms, Gun-powder, or warlike Stores, wherever you ſhall have Reaſon to ſuſpect they may be concealed, and if you ſhould ſucceed in your Search, and diſcover any Quantities of Arms, Gun-powder, or warlike Stores, you are to ſeize the ſame in his Majeſty's Name, as likewiſe the Perſons in whoſe Cuſtody ſuch Arms, Gun-powder, or warlike Stores, ſhall be found, and bring them, together with their Papers, before me, to be examined

amined concerning the Premiſes, and further dealt with according to Law. In the due, &c. Given at *Whitehall, April* 25, 1759, in the thirty-ſecond Year of his Majeſty's Reign.

HOLDERNESSE.

CXXXIV. 30 April 1760. Original.

THESE are, in his Majeſty's Name, to authorize and require you, taking a Conſtable to your Aſſiſtance, to make ſtrict and diligent Search for a foreign Gentleman, called the Count *St. Germain*, of whom you ſhall have Notice, and him having found, to ſeize, together with his Papers, and bring before me, in ſafe Cuſtody, to be examined concerning the Premiſes, and further dealt with according to Law. In the due, &c. Given at *Whitehall, April* 30, 1760, in the thirty-third Year of his Majeſty's Reign.

W. PITT.

CXXXV. 17 Dec. 1760. Original.

THESE are, in his Majeſty's Name, to authorize and require you, taking a Conſtable to your Aſſiſtance, to make ſtrict and diligent Search for *Peter Child* and his Wife *Jane*, *Sidebotham* and his Wife, and *Dickenſon*, a Woman lodging in their Houſe, in *Eſſex-Street*, in the *Strand*, and them having found, to bring in ſafe Cuſtody before me, to be examined concerning the Premiſes, and further dealt with according to Law. In the due, &c. Given at *Whitehall, December* 17, 1760, in the firſt Year of his Majeſty's Reign.

W. PITT.

CXXXVI. 26 April 1763. Original.

THESE are, in his Majeſty's Name, to authorize and require you, taking a Conſtable to your Aſſiſtance, to make ſtrict and diligent Search for the Authors, Printers and Publiſhers of a ſeditious and treaſonable Paper, entitled, The North Briton, Numb. XLV. *Saturday, April* 23, 1763, printed for *G. Kearſley* in *Ludgate-Street*, and them, or any of them, having found, to apprehend and ſeize, together with their Papers, and to bring, in ſafe Cuſtody, before me, to be examined concerning the Premiſes, and further dealt with according to Law. In the due, *&c.* Given at St. *James*'s, *April* 26, 1763, in the third Year of his Majeſty's Reign.

DUNK HALLIFAX.

29 April 1763.

Mr. KEARSLY *the Publiſher, and Mr.* BALFE *the Printer, of the* NORTH BRITON, *No.* 45, *were this Day taken into Cuſtody, together with their Papers, by three of his Majeſty's Meſſengers in Ordinary, by Vertue of the laſt-mentioned Warrant. By their Examinations, in Writing, which they ſigned, taken before the Secretaries of State, they declared, that Mr.* WILKES *was the Author of this Paper, and the Perſon who directed it to be printed.*—— *Upon this Mr.* WILKES *was the next Day taken into Cuſtody, and his Papers ſeized, by Vertue of the ſame Warrant, as being the Author and Publiſher. This Proceeding was immediately treated as an Act of Power and Violence.*—— *The Warrant was repreſented as* NEW *and* UNPRECEDENTED, *particularly, that Part of it which directed the ſeizing the Offender's* PAPERS: *Whether, in Reality, the Warrant deſerves thoſe harſh Epithets, or not, and whether it doth not appear to be conformable to the Courſe and Uſage of the Secretaries of State's Office, for a long Courſe of Years, during Times to which no Exception will be taken, is ſubmitted to the Judgment of every candid and impartial Perſon who ſhall peruſe the foregoing Collection.*

Mr.

MR. *Wilkes*, in a Letter which he ſent to the Earls of *Egremont* and *Halifax*, circulated about the Town in the public Papers and Hand Bills, had the Folly and Effrontery to treat this public and open Seizure of his Papers, by the King's Meſſengers, in the Preſence of a Peace Officer, in Execution of the Authority, and by Vertue of a Warrant from a known and legal Magiſtrate, as a *Robbery*, and required them to return the *Stolen Goods (a)*.

On the 9th Day of *May*, 1763, Mr. *Wilkes* was ſerved with a Subpœna to appear to an Information exhibited againſt him by the Attorney-General, for his ſaid Offence; but, under Pretence of Privilege of Parliament, he hath ever ſince refuſed to appear, or ſubmit his Cauſe to the Juſtice of his Country; and yet, during the ſame Time, this great Lover of Liberty, this Advocate for the Privilege of Parliament, commenced Suits againſt the Earls of *Halifax* and *Egremont*, Mr. *Wood*, and Mr. *Webb*, for the Parts they had ſeverally taken in this Buſineſs, who were, at leaſt, as much entituled to Privilege of Parliament as Mr. *Wilkes*.

Mr. *Wilkes* alſo brought eight other Actions of Treſpaſs againſt *Watſon*, *Money*, and *Blackmore*, *the laſt of which had kindly permitted him to eſcape*; — againſt *Ardran* and *Collins*, two other Meſſengers, and againſt Mr. *Chiſolme*, the Conſtable who aſſiſted at the Execution of the above Warrant. — On the Trials of each of theſe Actions, the Legality of the Secretary of State's Warrant will neceſſarily come to be determined. The Declarations delivered in theſe Actions are in the ſame Words, *mutatis mutandis*, and carry with them the moſt wanton Abuſe of Legal Proceedings, and the moſt abſurd Idea of the Immenſity of the Plaintiff's Hotel in *Great-George-Street*, as will appear by the following Copy of one of thoſe Declarations.

(a) Thoſe pretended *Stolen Goods* were Mr. *Wilkes's* Papers, many of which tended to prove his *Authorſhip*, and ſome Cundums encloſed in an Envelope.

COOKE. Trinity *Term, in the Third Year of the Reign of King* GEORGE *the Third.*

Middleſex (to wit) BE it Remembered, That on *Friday* next after one Month from the Day of *Eaſter*, in *Eaſter* Term laſt paſt, *John Wilkes*, Eſquire, came here into Court, by *Joſeph Stannynought*, his Attorney, and exhibited to the Juſtices of our now Lord the King, of the Bench here, his Bill againſt *Philip Carteret Webb*, Eſquire, (having Privilege of Parliament) in a Plea of Treſpaſs, for breaking and entering the Dwelling Houſe of the ſaid *John*, and other Injuries, the Tenor of which ſaid Bill follows in theſe Words, to wit, To the Juſtices of our Lord the King, of the Bench, *Middleſex*, to wit, *John Wilkes*, Eſquire, by *Joſeph Stannynought*, his Attorney, complains of *Philip Carteret Webb*, Eſquire, — (the aforeſaid *Philip Carteret* having Privilege of Parliament) for that the ſaid *Philip Carteret*, on the thirtieth Day of *April* laſt paſt, and on divers other Days and Times between that Day and the Day of exhibiting the Bill of the ſaid *John* at *Weſtminſter*, in the ſaid County of *Middleſex*, with Force and Arms, *&c.* broke and entered the Dwelling Houſe of the ſaid *John*, ſituate at *Weſtminſter* aforeſaid, and then and there made a great Noiſe and Diſturbance therein, and diſquieted the ſaid *John* in his peaceable Poſſeſſion thereof, and ſtayed and continued in the ſaid Dwelling Houſe, making and continuing the aforeſaid Noiſe and Diſturbance there for a long Space of Time, to wit, for the Space of Twelve Hours, without the Conſent, and againſt the Will of the ſaid *John*, and then and there forced, broke open, deſtroyed, and ſpoiled the Doors, to wit, twenty Doors, of and belonging to the reſpective Rooms, Cloſets, and Apartments, in the ſame Dwelling Houſe, of the Value of Forty Pounds; and broke, deſtroyed, and ſpoiled, the Locks, Hinges, and Faſtenings of the ſaid Doors, to wit, twenty Braſs Locks, twenty Iron Locks, forty Braſs Hinges, forty Iron Hinges, and forty other Faſtenings, wherewith the ſame Doors were then and there reſpectively locked and faſtened, of the Value of One hundred Pounds; and then

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and there alſo forced, broke open, deſtroyed, and ſpoiled, the Cabinets, 'Scrutores, Writing Deſks, Cupboards, Bureaus, Boxes, Trunks, and Drawers, to wit, twenty Cabinets, twenty 'Scrutores, five Writing Deſks, forty Cupboards, twenty Bureaus, forty Boxes, forty Trunks, and one hundred Drawers, of the ſaid *John*, then found locked and faſtened there, of the Value of One thouſand Pounds, and then and there broke, deſtroyed, and ſpoiled, the Locks and Faſtenings, to wit, three hundred Braſs Locks, three Iron Locks, and three other Faſtenings, of the Value of Two hundred Pounds, wherewith the ſaid Cabinets, 'Scrutores, Writing Deſks, Cupboards, Bureaus, Boxes, Trunks, and Drawers, were then and there locked and faſtened; and ſeized, took, and carried away the Goods and Chattels, to wit, five hundred printed Maps, five hundred printed Charts, five hundred other Charts, five hundred Prints, five hundred Sheets of other printed Paper, five hundred Paper Writings, and five hundred Sheets of other Paper, of the ſaid *John*, then found there, of the Value of five hundred Pounds, and converted and diſpoſed thereof to his own Uſe: And alſo, that the ſaid *Philip Carteret*, on the ſaid thirtieth Day of *April*, laſt paſt, and on divers other Days and Times between that Day and the Day of exhibiting the Bill of the ſaid *John* at *Weſtminſter*, aforeſaid, with Force and Arms, *&c.* broke and entered a certain other Dwelling Houſe of the ſaid *John Wilkes*, ſituate at *Weſtminſter* aforeſaid, in the ſaid County of *Middleſex*, and then and there greatly diſturbed the ſaid *John* in the quiet and peaceable Poſſeſſion of his laſt-mentioned Dwelling Houſe, and wrongfully and injuriouſly ſtayed and continued therein for a long Space of Time, to wit, for the Space of Six Hours, without the Conſent, and againſt the Will of the ſaid *John*, and ſeized, took, and carried away, other the Goods and Chattels, to wit, five hundred other printed Maps, five hundred other printed Charts, five hundred other Charts, five hundred other Prints, five hundred other Sheets of other printed Paper, five hundred other Paper Writings, and five hundred other Sheets of other Paper, of the ſaid *John*, then found in his laſt mentioned Dwelling Houſe, of the Value of other five hundred Pounds,

Pounds, and converted and diſpoſed thereof to his own Uſe, and ſeized and took divers other Paper Writings, of the ſaid *John*, then found there, being private Letters of Correſpondence, and other private Papers, concerning and relating to the private and domeſtic Buſineſs and Concerns of the ſaid *John*; and without the Leave, and againſt the Will of the ſaid *John*, wrongfully and injuriouſly ſearched, pryed into, read over, and peruſed the ſame laſt mentioned Papers, in Order to make himſelf acquainted with the Nature, Purport, and Contents thereof, whereby the ſaid private and domeſtic Concerns of the ſaid *John* were wrongfully and injuriouſly divulged, and publicly made known, and then and there did other Wrongs to the ſaid *John*, againſt the Peace of our Sovereign Lord the preſent King, and to the Damage of the ſaid *John* Five thouſand Pounds, and therefore he bringeth Suit, *&c.*

Pledges of proſecuting, { JOHN DOE AND RICHARD ROE.

COPIES *taken from the* RECORDS *of the Court of* KING'S-BENCH, *at* Weſtminſter, *from the original Office-Books of the* SECRETARIES *of* STATE, *remaining in the Paper,— and Secretaries of State's Offices, and from the Original* COMMITMENTS, *by* SECRETARIES *of* STATE, *of Perſons charged with various Crimes.*

Warrant of Commitment returned into the King's-Bench *upon a* Habeas Corpus *for* John Dyer.

I.
Banco Regis
6 W. & M.

THESE are, in their Majeſties Name, to authorize and require you, to receive and take into your Cuſtody the Body of *John Dyer*, herewith ſent you, being charged before me for writing and publiſhing ſeveral falſe, ſeditious, and ſcandalous Libels and Papers againſt their Majeſties and their Government, and the Actions and Proceedings of their Allies, and tending to the moving and exciting their Majeſties Subjects to Sedition, and to the diſturbing the public Peace and Tranquillity of theſe Kingdoms; and you are to keep him ſafe until he ſhall be delivered by due Courſe of Law. And for ſo doing, *&c.* Given, *&c. Sept.* 15, 1694.

To the Keeper of Newgate, or his Deputy.

SHREWSBURY.

Warrant

Warrant returned on a Habeas Corpus *for* David Edwards.

II. Banco Regis, 1 Annæ.

THESE are, in her Majeſty's Name, to require you to receive into your Cuſtody the Perſon of *David Edwards*, for printing and publiſhing ſcandalous Libels againſt the Queen and her Government; and you are to keep him ſafe until he ſhall be delivered by due Courſe of Law. And for ſo doing, *&c.* Given, *&c. February* 6, 1702.

To the Keeper of Newgate, or his Deputy. NOTTINGHAM.

Warrant returned on a Habeas Corpus *for* Collin Campbell.

III. Banco Regis, 4 Annæ.

THESE are to authorize you to detain and keep in your Cuſtody the Body of *Collin Campbell*, for Suſpicion of High Treaſon, and treaſonable Practices, in Order to be further examined and proceeded againſt according to Law. For which, *&c.* Given, *&c. March* 29, 1704.

To *John Thornburgh*, one of her Majeſty's Meſſengers in Ordinary. NOTTINGHAM.

Warrant returned on a Habeas Corpus *for* Sarah Popping.

IV. Banco Regis, 10 Annæ.

THESE are, in her Majeſty's Name, to authorize and require you, to receive into your Cuſtody the Body of *Sarah Popping*, herewith ſent you, for vending and publiſhing, three ſcandalous and ſeditious Libels, entitled, The Proteſtant Poſt Boy, No. 36, 37, 38, reflecting on her Majeſty and her Miniſters; and you are to keep her ſafe in Cuſtody until ſhe be delivered by due Courſe of Law. And for ſo doing, *&c.* Given, *&c. Dec.* 3, 1711.

To the Keeper of Newgate, or his Deputy. H. ST. JOHN.

V.
7 Oct. 1715.
Warrant Book.

THESE are, in his Majeſty's Name, to authorize and require you, to receive into your Cuſtody the Body of Sir *William Wyndham*, Bart. herewith ſent you, for High Treaſon; and you are to keep him ſafe and cloſe 'till he ſhall be delivered by due Courſe of Law. And for, &c. Given at *Whitehall, Oct.* 7, 1715.

To the Lieutenant of the Tower of *London*, or his Deputy.

JAMES STANHOPE.

VI.
25 July, 1716.
Warrant Book.

THESE are, by his Royal Highneſs's Command, to authorize and require you to receive into your Cuſtody the Body of Mrs. *Flint*, herewith ſent you, for publiſhing a ſcandalous and treaſonable Paper, entitled, The Shift Shifted; and you are to keep her in ſafe and cloſe Cuſtody until ſhe ſhall be delivered by due Courſe of Law. For ſo doing, *&c. July* 25, 1716.

To the Warden of the Fleet, or his Deputy.

TOWNSHEND.

VII.
27 June, 1716.
Warrant Book.

MY Lord's Warrant directed *ut ſupra* to make ſtrict and diligent Search for the Author or Authors, Printer or Printers, Publiſher or Publiſhers, of a ſeditious and ſcandalous Paper, entitled, The Shift Shifted; and to ſeize and ſecure all or any of the ſaid Perſons, together with his, her, or their Papers, and to bring him, her, or them, before me, to be examined touching the Premiſes, and to be further dealt with according to Law. Dated *June* 27, 1716.

This Warrant ſhould have been inſerted in its proper Place in the former Part of this Collection.

VIII.
19 Feb. 1716-7.
Warrant Book.

THESE are, in his Majeſty's Name, to authorize and require you, to receive into your Cuſtody the Bodies of *Thomas Cookſon*, *Jonathan Darbyſhire*, and *Dugard*, for treaſonable Practices; you are to keep them ſafe and cloſe until they ſhall be delivered by due Courſe of Law. And for ſo doing this ſhall be your Warrant. Given at *Whitehall, Feb.* 19, 1716-7.

To the Keeper of Newgate, or his Deputy.

JAMES STANHOPE.

IX.
28 Aug. 1717.
Warrant Book.

THESE are, in his Majeſty's Name, to authorize and require you, to receive into your Cuſtody the Body of *Charles Hornby*, herewith ſent you, for High Crimes and Miſdemeanors; you are to keep him ſafe and cloſe until he ſhall be delivered by due Courſe of Law. And for ſo doing this ſhall be your Warrant. Given at *Whitehall*, *Auguſt* 28, 1717.

To the Keeper of Newgate,
or his Deputy.

SUNDERLAND.

X.
6 Feb. 1717-8.
Warrant Book.

THESE are, in his Majeſty's Name, to authorize and require you, to receive into your Cuſtody the Body of *Harry Cheap*, for printing and publiſhing treaſonable Libels, entitled, The Loyal Revolution, *&c.* The Hiſtory of the 29 Years Rebellion and Uſurpation, and his Majeſty's Letter to the Rev. Mr. *Charles Leſley*; you are to keep him ſafe and cloſe till he ſhall be delivered by a due Courſe of Law. And for ſo doing this ſhall be your Warrant. Given at *Whitehall*, *Feb.* 6, 1717-8.

To the Keeper of Newgate,
or his Deputy.

SUNDERLAND.

Warrant returned on a Habeas Corpus *for* John Morphew.

XI.
Banco Regis,
4 Georgii I.

THESE are, in his Majeſty's Name, to authorize and require you, to receive into your Cuſtody the Body of *John Morphew*, herewith ſent you, for a Miſdemeanor, in publiſhing a ſeditious Libel, entitled, The Scourge, No. 42, *Monday*, *Nov.* 18, 1717; and you are to keep him in ſafe Cuſtody until he ſhall be delivered by a due Courſe of Law. And for ſo doing, *&c.* Given, *&c.* *Dec.* 14, 1717.

To the Keeper of Newgate,
or his Deputy.

ROXBURGHE.

Warrant

Warrant returned on a Habeas Corpus *for* John Lowdon.

XII. Banco Regis, 5 Georgii I.

THESE are, in his Majeſty's Name, to authorize and require you, to receive into your Cuſtody the Body of *John Lowdon*, for diſperſing a treaſonable Libel; and you are to keep him ſafe and cloſe until he ſhall be delivered by due Courſe of Law. And for ſo doing this ſhall be your Warrant. Given, *&c. June* 18, 1719.

To the Keeper of Newgate, or his Deputy.

J. CRAGGS.

Warrant returned on a Habeas Corpus *for* Thomas Sharpe.

XIII. Banco Regis, 8 Georgii I.

THESE are, in his Majeſty's Name, to authorize and require you, to receive into your Cuſtody the Body of *Thomas Sharpe*, herewith ſent you, for the printing and publiſhing of a ſcandalous and ſeditious Libel, entitled, The Freeholder's Journal, *Wedneſday, April* 25, 1722, No. 16, wherewith he ſtands charged on his own Confeſſion; and for Want of Sureties you are to keep him ſafe and cloſe 'till he is delivered by due Courſe of Law. And for ſo doing, *&c.* Given at *Whitehall, April* 26, 1722.

To the Keeper of Newgate, or his Deputy.

TOWNSHEND.

Warrant returned on a Habeas Corpus *for* Richard Phillips, *ſen. and* Sarah *his Wife*; Richard Phillips, *jun.* Richard Wood, *and* William Garrett.

XIV. Banco Regis, 8 Georgii I.

THESE are, in his Majeſty's Name, to authorize and require you to receive into your Cuſtody the Bodies of *Richard Phillips*, ſen. and *Sarah* his Wife; *Richard Phillips*, jun. *Richard Wood*, and *William Garrett*, herewith ſent you, for printing and

publiſhing a certain villainous and traiterous Libel, entitled, The ſecond Part of the hiſtorical Account of the Advantages that have accrued to *England* by the Succeſſion of the illuſtrious Houſe of *Hanover*; and for Want of ſufficient Sureties you are to keep them ſafe and cloſe till they ſhall be delivered by due Courſe of Law. And for ſo doing, *&c.* Given, *&c. May* 23, 1722.

To the Keeper of Newgate, or his Deputy.

TOWNSHEND.

Warrant returned on a Habeas Corpus *for* Thomas Sharpe.

XV. Banco Regis, 8 Georgii I.

THESE are, in his Majeſty's Name, to Will and require you, to receive into your Cuſtody the Body of *Thomas Sharpe*, herewith ſent you, for printing and publiſhing a ſeditious Libel, entitled, The Freeholders Journal, *Wedneſday*, *May* 23, 1722; and for Want of ſufficient Sureties you are to keep him ſafe and cloſe 'till he be diſcharged by due Courſe of Law. And for ſo doing this ſhall be your Warrant. Given at *Whitehall*, *May* 31, 1722, in the eighth Year of his Majeſty's Reign.

To the Keeper of Newgate, or his Deputy.

TOWNSHEND.

XVI. 22 Oct. 1722. Warrant Book.

THESE are, in his Majeſty's Name, to authorize and require you, to receive into your Cuſtody the Body of *Thomas*, Duke of *Norfolk*, herewith ſent you, for Suſpicion of High Treaſon; and to keep him ſafe and cloſe 'till he ſhall be delivered by due Courſe of Law. And for ſo doing this ſhall be your Warrant. Given at *Whitehall*, *Oct.* 27, 1722, in the ninth Year of his Majeſty's Reign.

To the Lieutenant of his Majeſty's Tower of *London*, or his Deputy.

TOWNSHEND.

Warrant

Warrant returned on a Habeas Corpus *for* John Middleton.

XVII.
Banco Regis,
9 Georgii I.

THESE are, in his Majeſty's Name, to authorize and require you, to receive into your Cuſtody the Body of *John Middleton*, herewith ſent you, for giving a falſe Information upon Oath; and you are to keep him in ſafe Cuſtody 'till he ſhall be delivered by due Courſe of Law. And for ſo doing this ſhall be your Warrant. Given at *Whitehall, Nov.* 12, 1722.

To the Keeper of Newgate,
or his Deputy.

CARTERET.

XVIII.
20 Feb. 1722-3.
Warrant Book.

RECEIVE into your Cuſtody the Body of *Daniel Slack*, herewith ſent you, for Suſpicion of High Treaſon, and keep him ſafe and cloſe 'till he ſhall be diſcharged by due Courſe of Law. And for ſo doing this ſhall be your Warrant. Given at *Whitehall, February* 25, 1722-3, in the ninth Year of his Majeſty's Reign.

To the Keeper of Newgate,
or his Deputy.

TOWNSHEND.

XIX.
8 April 1723.
Warrant Book.

THESE are, in his Majeſty's Name, to Will and require you to receive into your Cuſtody the Body of *David Boyce*, herewith ſent you, for treaſonable Practices, and to keep him ſafe and cloſe 'till he be delivered by due Courſe of Law. And for ſo doing this ſhall be your Warrant. Given at *Whitehall, April* 8, 1763, in the ninth Year of his Majeſty's Reign.

To the Keeper of Newgate,
or his Deputy.

TOWNSHEND.

THESE

XX.
3 April, 1724.
Warrant Book.

THESE are, in his Majeſty's Name, to authorize and require you, to receive into your Cuſtody the Body of *Catherine Hamilton* alias *Lucas*, herewith ſent you, for treaſonable Practices; and you are to keep her ſafe and cloſe 'till ſhe ſhall be delivered by due Courſe of Law. And for ſo doing this ſhall be your Warrant. Given at *Whitehall, April* 3, 1724, in the tenth Year of his Majeſty's Reign.

To the Keeper of Newgate,
or his Deputy.

TOWNSHEND.

XXI.
6 Oct. 1745.
Warrant Book.

THESE are, in his Majeſty's Name, to authorize and require you, to receive into your Cuſtody the Body of *Peter Grant*, herewith ſent you, for Suſpicion of treaſonable Practices; and you are to keep him ſafe and cloſe 'till he ſhall be delivered by due Courſe of Law. And for ſo doing this ſhall be your Warrant. Given at *Whitehall, October* 6, 1745.

To the Keeper of Newgate,
or his Deputy.

JAMES STANHOPE.

XXII.
6 Dec. 1745.
Warrant Book.

THESE are, in his Majeſty's Name, to authorize and require you, to receive into your Cuſtody the Body of *Robert Gorden*, a Romiſh Prieſt, herewith ſent you, for treaſonable Practices; and you are to keep him ſafe and cloſe 'till he ſhall be delivered by due Courſe of Law. And for ſo doing this ſhall be your Warrant. Given at *Whitehall, Dec.* 26, 1745, in the nineteenth Year of his Majeſty's Reign.

To the Keeper of Newgate,
or his Deputy.

HARRINGTON.

THESE

XXIII.
27 June 1747.
Original.

THESE are, in his Majeſty's Name, to authorize and require you, to detain in your Cuſtody the Bodies of *Donald Stewart*, *John Urquhart*, *William M'Ghie*, and *John Faulkner*; and you are to keep them ſafe and cloſe 'till they ſhall be delivered by due Courſe of Law. And for ſo, *&c.* Given at *Whitehall*, *June* 27, 1747, in the twenty-firſt Year of his Majeſty's Reign.

To *Nath. Carrington*, one of his Majeſty's Meſſengers in Ordinary.

HOLLES NEWCASTLE.

XXIV.
7 May, 1756.
Warrant Book.

THESE are, in his Majeſty's Name, to authorize and require you, to receive into your Cuſtody from *Nath. Carrington*, one of his Majeſty's Meſſengers in Ordinary, the Bodies of *Romain Belot* and *James Gould*, for treaſonable Practices; and to keep them ſafe and cloſe 'till they ſhall be delivered by due Courſe of Law. And for ſo doing this ſhall be, as well as to you for receiving, as to the ſaid *Nath. Carrington* for delivering the ſaid Perſons, a ſufficient Warrant. Given at *Whitehall*, *May* 7, 1756, in the twenty-ninth Year of his Majeſty's Reign.

To the Keeper of his Majeſty's Goal of Newgate, and all others whom it may concern.

HOLDERNESSE.

XXV.
23 April 1757.
Original.

THESE are, in his Majeſty's Name, to authorize and require you, forthwith to make ſtrict and diligent Search for *Stephen Louis* and *James Beaufort*, of whom you ſhall have Notice, and, them having found, to ſeize and detain, on Suſpicion of carrying on illegal Correſpondence, and to bring them, together with their Papers, in ſafe Cuſtody, before me, to be examin-

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ed concerning the Premiſes, and further dealt with according to Law. In the due, *&c.* Given at *Whitehall, April* 23, 1757, in the thirtieth Year of his Majeſty's Reign.

HOLDERNESSE.

This ſhould have been inſerted among the Warrants in the former Part of this Collection.

XXVI.
28 April 1757.
Original.

THESE are, in his Majeſty's Name, to authorize and require you, to receive into your Cuſtody the Body of *Jacob Ilive*, now a Priſoner in *Clerkenwell Bridewell*, and to keep him ſafe and cloſe 'till he ſhall be delivered by due Courſe of Law. And for, *&c.* Given at *Whitehall, April* 28, 1757, in the thirtieth Year of his Majeſty's Reign.

To *Nath. Carrington*, one of his Majeſty's Meſſengers in Ordinary.

HOLDERNESSE.

XXVII.
8 May 1760.
Original.

THESE are, in his Majeſty's Name, to authorize and require you, to take into your Cuſtody the Body of Monſieur *Le Brun de Condamine* (a Subject of the *French* King) with his Servant, and to keep them ſafe and cloſe 'till he ſhall be delivered by due Courſe of Law. And for ſo, *&c.* Given at *Whitehall, May* 8, 1760, in the thirty-third Year of his Majeſty's Reign.

HOLDERNESSE.

CHARLES

CHARLES, *Earl of* Egremont, *and* GEORGE DUNK, *Earl of* Halifax, *Lords of His Majeſty's Moſt Honourable Privy Council, and Principal Secretaries of State*, &c.

XXVIII. 30 April, 1763. Original.

THESE are, in his Majeſty's Name, to authorize and require you, to receive into your Cuſtody the Body of *John Wilkes*, Eſq; herewith ſent you, for being the Author and Publiſher of a moſt infamous and ſeditious Libel, entitled, The North Briton, No. 45, tending to inflame the Minds, and alienate the Affections, of the People from his Majeſty, and to excite them to traiterous Inſurrections againſt the Government; and to keep him ſafe and cloſe 'till he ſhall be delivered by due Courſe of Law. And for ſo doing this ſhall be your Warrant. Given at St. *James*'s, *April* 30, 1763, in the third Year of his Majeſty's Reign.

To the Right Hon. *John*, Lord *Berkley* of *Stratton*, Conſtable of his Majeſty's Tower of *London*, or to the Lieutenant of the ſaid Tower, or his Deputy.

EGREMONT. (*L. S.*)

DUNK HALIFAX. (*L. S.*)

Upon the *Habeas Corpus* brought by Mr. *Wilkes*, in the Court of *Common Pleas*, his Counſel took ſeveral Objections to the laſt-mentioned Warrant, for that the Nature of the Libel was not ſufficiently ſet forth, and for that it was not expreſſed that he was committed in Conſequence of a previous Information, *upon Oath:* The Court of *Common Pleas* over-ruled both theſe Objections, and held the Warrant to be good, both in Form and Subſtance. —

Others have objected to the Word *cloſe*, in the Warrant, which they inſiſt ought not to be uſed in Warrants of Commitment in the Caſe of Libels, or other High Crimes and Miſdemeanours, but only in Commitments for High Treaſon.

The foregoing Collection proves this to be a Miſtake, and the Warrant above ſtated is conformable to repeated Reſolutions of the Houſe of Commons, in Caſes ſimilar to that of Mr. *Wilkes*.

References to Commitments by the HOUSE OF COMMONS.

1575, 8 & 9 Feb. Journal, vol. I. p. 104. *THOMAS WENTWORTH*, a Member of the Houſe of Commons, for unreverent and undutiful Words, uttered in the Houſe, of the Queen, was firſt preſently committed to the Cuſtody of the Serjeant, and the next Day he was committed *cloſe* Priſoner to the Tower.

24 March, 1661. Journal, vol 8. p. 393. Complaint being made to the Houſe, that *George Withers* was the Author and Publiſher of a ſcandalous and ſeditious Pamphlet, to enrage the People, and to villify and defame the Members of the Houſe, and to blemiſh the Honour and Juſtice of the Houſe and their Proceedings; after his being examined at the Bar, it was reſolved, upon the Queſtion, That *George Withers*, who was this Day brought from the Priſon of *Newgate* to the Bar of this Houſe, be ſent Priſoner, and delivered into the Cuſtody of the Lieutenant of the *Tower*, there to be kept in cloſe Cuſtody, and be denied Pen, Ink, and Paper, and debarred from having any Company to come to him.

20 March, 1728. *Bambridge*, *Huggins*, *Barnes*, *Pindar*, *Everett*, and *King*, committed cloſe Priſoners to *Newgate*.

5 May, 1730. *Campbell*, *Jones*, *Brown*, *Roger* and *Anne Johnſon*, and *Bernie*, committed cloſe Priſoners to *Newgate*.

2 April, 1731. *Satchwell* and *Poulter*, committed cloſe Priſoners to the *Gate-houſe*.

23 April. *Baſs*, *Paine*, *Langford*, *Cooke*, and *Metcalfe*, committed cloſe Priſoners to *Newgate*.

23 Feb. *Leafe* committed cloſe Priſoner to *Newgate*; not allowed the Uſe of Pen, Ink, and Paper; no Perſon to have Acceſs to him without the Leave of this Houſe.

10 March. *Thomſon* committed cloſe Priſoner to *Newgate*; not allowed the Uſe of Pen, Ink, and Paper; no Perſon to have Acceſs to him without the Leave of this Houſe.

Paxton

Paxton committed cloſe Priſoner to *Newgate*; not allowed the Uſe of Pen, Ink, and Paper; no Perſon to have Acceſs to him without the Leave of this Houſe. 15 April 1742.

The Hon. *Alexander Murray* commited cloſe Priſoner to *Newgate*; not allowed the Uſe of Pen, Ink, and Paper; no Perſon to have Acceſs to him without the Leave of this Houſe. 6 Feb. 1750.

This laſt Warrant was afterwards returned into the Court of King's-Bench, *upon a* Habeas Corpus, *and the Validity of it, either in Form or Subſtance, was not queſtioned.* Banco Regis, 24 & 25 Geo. II.

Warrant of Commitment by the HOUSE OF PEERS.

Die Sabati. 25 *Martij* 1704.

XXIX.
25 March, 1704.

IT is ordered, by the Lords, Spiritual and Temporal, in Parliament aſſembled, that Mr. *Robert Ferguſon* ſhall be, and he is hereby committed to the Priſon of *Newgate*, for treaſonable and ſeditious Practices, there to be kept in ſafe Cuſtody 'till he ſhall be delivered by due Courſe of Law. And this ſhall be a ſufficient Warrant on that Behalf.

To the Keeper of the Priſon of Newgate, his Deputy and Deputies, and every of them.

ASHLEY COWPER,
Cler. Parliamentor.

This Warrant was afterwards returned and filed in the Court of Queen's-Bench, *upon a* Habeas Corpus *brought by Mr.* Ferguſon.

XXX.
Banco Regis, 5 Annæ.

Upon a Habeas Corpus *in the Court of* King's-Bench *for* Edward Baily.

Return, that he was committed by the Lord Chief Juſtice Holt, *as being greatly ſuſpected of having aſſiſted a Perſon in making his Eſcape.*

Warrant

Warrant returned upon a Habeas Corpus *in the Court of* King's Bench *for* George Maxwell, *Bart.*

XXXI. Banco Regis, 7 Annæ.

THESE are, in her Majeſty's Name, to Will and require you, to take into your Cuſtody the Body of Sir *George Maxwell*, herewith ſent you, for Suſpicion of High Treaſon, and treaſonable Practices; and him to keep in ſafe Cuſtody 'till he ſhall be diſcharged by due Courſe of Law. For which this ſhall be your Warrant. From the Council Chamber at *Kenſington*, *June* 6, 1708.

To Major Gen. *William Cadogan*, Lieutenant of her Majeſty's Tower of *London*, or his Deputy.

PEMBROKE,
P. DEVONSHIRE,
SUNDERLAND,
RADNOR,
H. BOYLE,
CHOLMONDELY.

XXXII. Banco Regis, 7 Annæ.

The like Warrant returned upon a Habeas Corpus *for* Robert Murray, *Eſq*;

XXXIII. Banco Regis, 7 Annæ.

The like Warrant returned upon a Habeas Corpus *for* James, *Lord* Drummond.

FINIS.